

Foreign diplomats weigh new ambassador

WASHINGTON (CP) — Foreign diplomats are wondering how seriously to take Andrew Young, the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations.

Although he has been in office less than a month, Young's offhand comments on world affairs have already prompted several corrections from the state department.

U.K. minister dangerously ill

LONDON (UPI) — Foreign Secretary Anthony Crosland, who suffered a stroke at his desk while wrestling with the Rhodesian problem, was "dangerously ill" in an Oxford hospital Monday, the foreign office reported.

Crosland, 58, was stricken Sunday evening at his country home at Addesbury. He was admitted to the Radcliffe Infirmary at nearby Oxford, the foreign office said.

"His condition has since then deteriorated and he is dangerously ill," a foreign office statement said.

Crosland, 58, a member of the governing Labor Party's right wing, was named foreign secretary by Prime Minister James Callaghan in April, 1976, after Callaghan took over from former prime minister Harold Wilson. Crosland ran as a right-wing candidate for the party leadership after Wilson retired, but was eliminated on the first ballot.

Crosland has recently been heavily involved in efforts to bring about a peaceful settlement in Rhodesia.

Because of a previous speaking engagement in Oxford, Crosland was unable to meet Andrew Young when the U.S. ambassador to the United Nations stopped over briefly in London Friday to report on his recent swing through Africa.

The foreign office said Crosland spent the weekend working on official papers.

A spokesman said Crosland drove Sunday morning to nearby Deddington to buy newspapers, then went for his usual walk. After returning home he "resumed work on the Rhodesian problem."

The foreign office said Crosland's American-born wife, Susan, a magazine writer, was working in the same room when he said suddenly, "Something has happened."

After examination, Mr. Crosland was taken to the Radcliffe Infirmary by ambulance. Mrs. Crosland travelled in the ambulance and has been with her husband throughout.

"It was clear to both of them that this was some kind of stroke," the statement said. "Mrs. Crosland rang their doctor, who came and decided to bring in a consultant physician."

"After examination, Mr. Crosland was taken to the Radcliffe Infirmary by ambulance. Mrs. Crosland travelled in the ambulance and has been with her husband throughout."

Four murdered in \$30 robbery

HOLLANDSBURG, Ind. (AP) — Four brothers aged 14 to 22 were killed by shotgun blasts to the head Monday after being ordered to lie face down on the floor of their family's mobile home.

Their mother was wounded but escaped by pretending to be dead after shots ripped through her wig, police said. State police described the murders as an "execution-type slaying." Their only clue to a motive was a \$30 robbery.

"Killing four people over \$30 doesn't make a whole lot of sense," said Sgt. Don Aldrich of the Indiana State Police.

The victims were identified as Ralph Spencer, 14; Reeve Spencer, 16; and Raymond Spencer, 17; and Gregory Brooks, 22, a step-brother.

The mother, Betty Spencer, told investigators that four young men, believed to be in their early 20s, invaded the trailer shortly after her husband, Keith, left about mid-



Crosland ... deteriorated

Fires ignited by power lines

MELBOURNE, Australia (UPI) — Weekend bushfires that blazed through the heart of Victoria state's lush grazing land, killing five persons and causing about \$40 million in damage, may have been sparked by downed power lines, State Premier Rupert Hamer said Monday.

About 70 fires Saturday swept through the area 60 miles northwest of Melbourne, killing five, destroying about 80 homes and wiping out some 300,000 acres of grazing land.

"It seems that most of the fires originated from power lines, trees falling on them and posts blowing over," Hamer told a cabinet meeting.

Farmers shooting and burying injured livestock reported

about 250,000 sheep and 10,000 cattle died in the fires, the worst in Victoria in eight years.

A spokesman for the Graziers Association said the group had received a number of reports that many of the fires were started by State Electricity Commission power lines.

The association said the devastating fires which spread throughout the northeast of the state in 1969 were also blamed on the commission's installations.

The state government began organizing help Monday for families left homeless by the fires, and fodder and emergency supplies and equipment were delivered to farms and small townships in the region.

in which Cuban troops brought stability to Angola, the U.S. was willing to have Vietnam admitted to the United Nations soon and the white Rhodesian government would comply with any South African pressure.

The respective state comments were that the United States did not condone the Cuban presence in Angola, that the United States currently opposed Vietnamese membership in the UN, and that settling the Rhodesia problem was not as simple as arranging for South African pressure.

In another period, such near-reputations would have been regarded as wrecking an ambassador's credibility, forcing him to consider resigning.

But in this area, as in so many others, the Carter administration is trying something different.

First, there is Young's personal mandate from the president. The ambassador is far more than a former congressman given a diplomatic post; he is the administration's leading black spokesman, a symbol of Carter's commitment to place blacks in leadership positions.

If Young, an active civil rights leader, were less independent and outspoken, both he and the administration might be hurt by accusations that he was nothing more than a state department mouthpiece, a token black.

When appointed, Young publicly warned that there would be occasions when he would depart from official policy and follow his conscience. That approach could back him into a corner where resignation becomes necessary, but it may also be the only way of maintaining his personal credibility at home and abroad.

More generally, Young's outspokenness is part of Carter's rejection of Kissinger's one-man-show style of diplomacy.

night Sunday to drive the 45 miles to his job in Indianapolis.

Two men came through the unlocked front door and two broke through the rear door, all carrying shotguns, police said.

The four brothers and the mother were ordered to lie face down on the living room floor of the double-width trailer.

"They took money from one of the boys and money from Mrs. Spencer's purse," Thrasher said. "Then they went down the line, firing the shotgun into the back of each victim's head."

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Also rescued were four passengers of a truck who were abducted by the gunman, identified as John Eastwood, when it became involved in a highway accident with the van in which Eastwood had the teacher and children.

Police sharpshooters, alerted by a wood cutter who spotted Eastwood, wounded the gunman in the shoulder and leg during a brief shootout at Tarra Valley, 70 miles southwest of the Wooreen Elementary School. Wooreen is

60 miles southeast of Melbourne.

Police said Eastwood abducted the children — all under age 12 — and their 20-year-old teacher, Robert Hunter, shortly after they arrived for class Monday. He demanded a \$40,000 ransom.

Police issued a warrant for Eastwood's arrest after they discovered the kidnapping was a carbon copy of a 1972 case in which Eastwood and two other men were convicted of kidnapping a woman teacher and six pupils from another school.

Eastwood had been serving 10 years for that kidnapping but escaped from jail last December.

of gardai (police). It uses physical beatings and psychological techniques similar to some used in Northern Ireland to obtain information.

After months of public complaints over police methods, all of which have been stoutly rejected by Justice Minister Patrick Cooney, the question will now probably be aired in the Dail (Parliament) within a week, political observers here believe.

'Irish, too, used torture method'

Colonist Wire Services

DUBLIN — Just as the Irish government is pressing charges in the Human Rights Court at Strasbourg that Britain formerly used illegal interrogation methods in Northern Ireland, the Irish Times Monday alleged that Irish police were using similar techniques.

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Foghorn cabaret closing

The Foghorn, that controversial nightspot in James Bay, is about to run out of steam.

After a relentless campaign by James Bay residents that lasted for more than a year, management of the James Bay Inn announced Monday that the cabaret will be closed Feb. 26.

William Wellburn, co-owner of the hotel at 270 Government, said the cabaret would be changed to a banquet room. He also said the hotel would apply for a licence to serve draught beer in its lounge.

He said the hassle with neighbors had taken up too much of his time. It just hadn't been worth keeping the cabaret going.

Wellburn added that he had also received a number of crank phone calls late at night at his home.

He said the neighboring residents had planned yet another massive attack on the hotel by writing letters of complaint to the premier and the consumer services ministry.

Residents began their campaign against the Foghorn cabaret more than a year ago. In a brief to Victoria city council, they complained that inebriated customers of the cabaret were disturbing the peace at all hours of the night.

They claimed that some customers had caused property damage and had been abusive to residents.

Marine calendar

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Dry weather doesn't stop drain request

Although Saanich municipal hall has been spared its usual complaints about flooding this dry winter, municipal engineer Clifford Warren intends pressing council to continue an intensive storm drain program started last year.

Warren, accustomed to receiving 500 to 600 flooding complaints in a typical winter, said last week "it's been relatively quiet this year — so far."

The \$700,000 spent last year rectifying the municipality's serious open ditches problem was, he said, only a start.



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PROVINCIAL COURT

The second of two men charged in connection with a Saanich kidnapping - extortion Jan. 29 was denied bail Monday in Victoria provincial court.

Ronald James Kellington, 22, of 3440 Seaton Road, Saanich, jointly charged with 22-year-old George Earl Storry, of 1544 Bank, Victoria, with two counts of extortion and one count each of possession of a dangerous weapon (shotgun), pointing a firearm, kidnapping and possession of money obtained by extortion, was remanded in custody by Judge Fred Green.

Storry, charged separately with attempted armed robbery, discharging a firearm and possession of a dangerous weapon (shotgun) in connection with a Jan. 14 Colwood incident, was denied bail in a Feb. 3 hearing.

Preliminary hearing on the joint charges was set earlier for March 9 and 10, and Storry's preliminary hearing was set for March 11.

A 34-year-old man pleaded guilty to breaking and entering and was remanded until next Tuesday for a pre-sentence report and sentence.

Joseph Marcel Risi of 3015 Adra pleaded guilty to a break-in last Thursday at Rawlings Plumbing and Heating, 625 Hillside.

Crown counsel Robert Mulligan told the court Victoria city police, acting on a silent alarm, caught Risi inside the premises at about 10:40 p.m. When apprehended, court was told, Risi said to police, "Okay, you've got me." Mulligan also said that Risi told police he broke in "to get an easy buck."

A lengthy criminal record for similar offences was read in court by Mulligan.

Risi's wife, called to testify by legal aid lawyer Jasper Bomhof, described her husband as "young and wild" when they were first married, but said he had matured and had not been in trouble with the law since his release from jail in 1974.

"We need him at home," she said tearfully after advising the court they had an eight-year-old boy and 10-year-old girl.

Mulligan suggested to Green that it was a difficult case and suggested probation, prompting the call for a pre-sentence report.

A 64-year-old man, John Paterson of 226 Michigan, was charged with two counts of gross indecency and one count of harboring or receiving a child under 14 years of age.

He was remanded in custody until Thursday for a bail hearing after electing trial by judge and jury on the charges.

A Wilkinson Road inmate received a further 30 days in jail after pleading guilty to

Auto course starts March 7

The Capital Region Safety Council is running a defensive driver course at Cedar Hill Community Centre next month.

Registration, at \$10, will take place at the centre at 3220 Cedar Hill Road, until March 1.

The eight-hour course will be held from 7 to 11 p.m. on two successive Mondays, March 7 and 14.

breach of recognizance and probation.

Frank Edward Walters, 33, also known as Frank Edward Waters, pleaded guilty to failing to appear for a trial Jan. 12 and failing to report to the Victoria city police weekly as required by a probation order.

Noting that Walters was serving a 90-day sentence im-

posed in county court, Green imposed a 30-day term on the first charge, to be served consecutively to the 90-day sentence, and a 10-day concurrent sentence on the second charge.

Roger Lindal, 38, 5191 Rambler, elected trial by judge and jury on two counts

of making telephone threats and had a preliminary hearing date of April 21 set.

He was released on his own recognizance in the sum of \$1,000.

Leonard John Baronette, 37, of no fixed address, pleaded guilty to impaired driving and was sentenced to 20 days in jail.

Court was told Baronette was stopped by Victoria city police as he came out of the Fisgard Street city parking building adjacent to the provincial court building and city police station.

Mulligan said Baronette was convicted of impaired driving Aug. 18, 1975, and fined \$350 at that time.

Five capsules

Couple guilty of MDA sale

Two persons were found guilty in Victoria county court Monday of trafficking in five capsules of MDA in Victoria Jan. 5, 1976.

William John Marchant Lozza, 25, was sentenced by Judge M. L. T. Drake to six months in jail, but the time will be served concurrently with a one-year sentence Feb. 4 for breaking and entering. Court was told he had spent

three months in jail on the drug charge before raising bail.

Lora Pattullo Johnston, also known as Lora Betty, 21, of 1312 Gladstone, received a six month suspended sentence and was placed on probation for one year.

Court was told the drug purchase was made by Constable Alan Haslett from Lozza in the couple's former residence,

531 Walker. Ms. Johnston's lawyer, Roger Cardinal, said her participation was minimal.

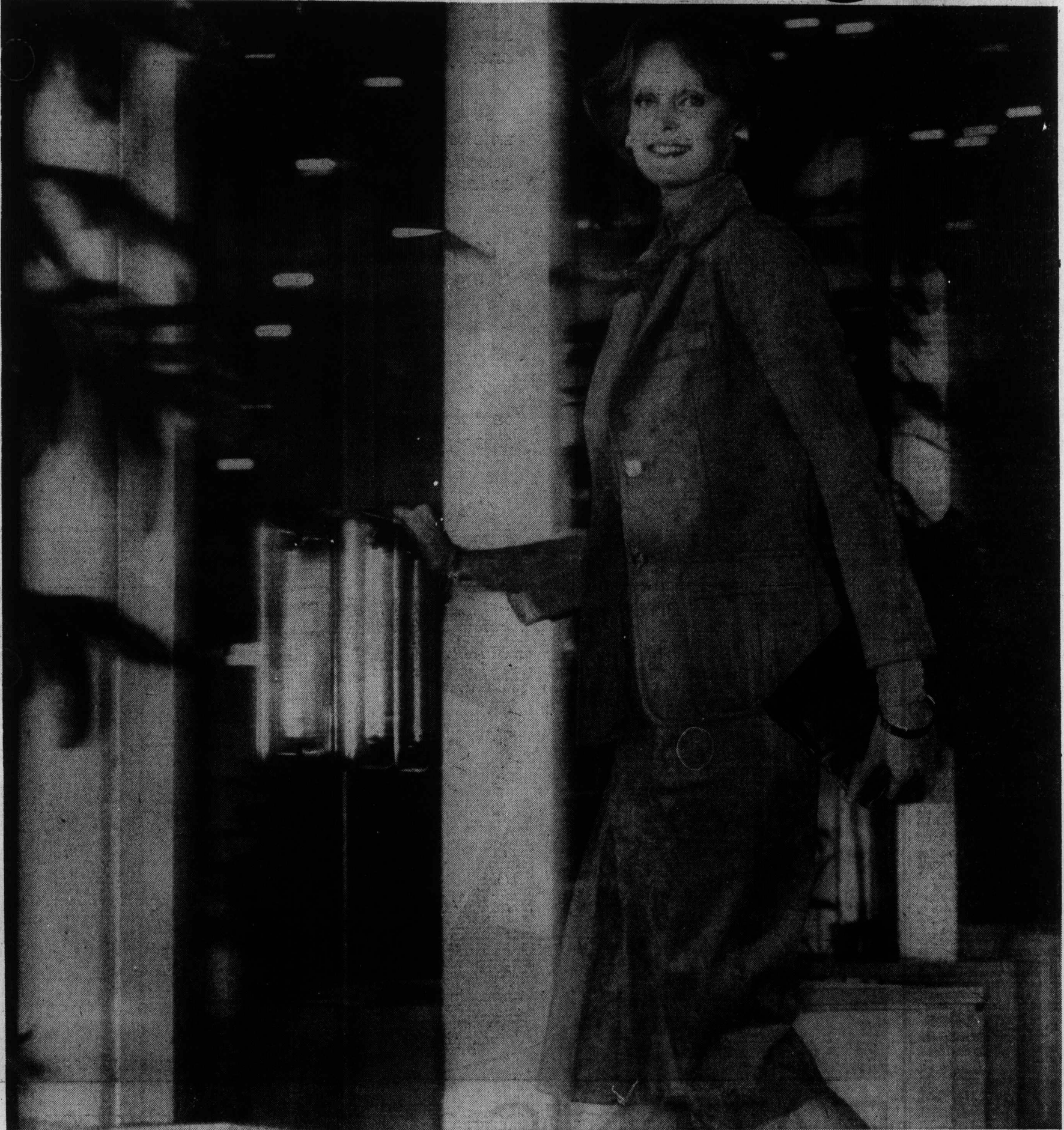
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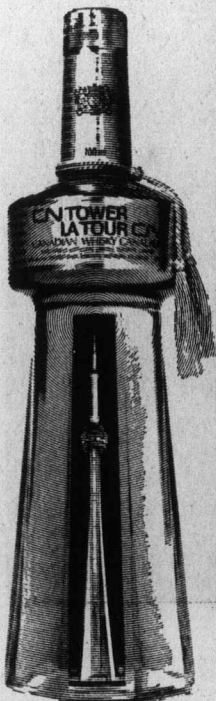
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Bennett sees federal pacts signed by April 1

By JIM HUME
Colonist Reporter

Three new federal-provincial cost-sharing agreements involving northern road-building and agriculture should be signed by April 1, Premier Bennett said Monday.

He admitted he was being optimistic about that date but added that he was fairly confident it would be met.

Back in Victoria after close to a week in Ottawa, the premier said discussions with federal officials had gone well, particularly with the regional economic expansion department and officials of the agriculture rehabilitation and development agreement.

The DREE agreement would be for five years and involves heavy federal involvement in economic programs aimed at stimulating the over-all provincial economy. Bennett said that in the past B.C. had not received its share of DREE dollars, and that when any funds had been received they were used to "force feed" specific regions of the province.

"We are trying to get away from the force-feeding of isolated areas," Bennett said. "We want the DREE funds to be used in every part of the province — except the Lower Mainland. The force-feeding procedure in one given area hasn't proved successful in the past."

The premier was unable to give any over-all cost figures before the signing of the actual agreements but under DREE and ARDA costs are usually shared on a 50-50 basis.

Basic use of the DREE funds, he suggested, would be to assist small business and keep interest rates on loans as low as possible.

The ARDA funds would be used for a variety of purposes but would be principally directed toward the beef industry, he said.

On the road-building program, a three-year agreement is expected. It would be geared specifically to the northern areas as part of the developments now being proposed to tap coal fields and other natural resources.

Part of that plan is to involve provincial and federal governments in the ultimate development of roads, railroads and deep-sea terminals in the northwest.

Bennett said the federal government was interested in the proposed development for more reasons than the coal. "It involves the movement of potash from Saskatchewan, wheat from the Prairies and the construction of a second major port on the coast," he said.

The new agreement would be in addition to the agreement signed last week for special continuing studies on development of the coal fields and the facilities to serve them.

Asked why he didn't take Economic Development Minister Donald Phillips to Ottawa with him, the premier said Phillips and his department had already done the spade-work.

"I forget whether it was last November or December that the minister was in Ottawa," he said, "but at that time it was decided that the

next discussions should involve me, the premier. But the credit for the groundwork goes to the minister and his officials."

While the premier was arguing for DREE, ARDA and funds for road building, Transport Minister Jack Davis was continuing his battle for subsidies for B.C. ferries.

Bennett said he didn't have much to report on that matter because Davis hadn't yet reported to him.

"But I didn't anticipate that we could solve in one visit the problem other governments couldn't solve in years," he said.

Asked how Atlantic provinces obtained their ferry subsidies, he said, "I guess they just kept going to Ottawa and asking."

Bennett said his delegation had been received "very favorably" by the federal authorities. "We have a good relationship with Ottawa," he said. "In the past it always seemed to be a continuing battle between B.C. and the

federal government, but I think we're getting along well."

The premier repeated his old warning that unless B.C. could reverse its falling export trend, serious troubles could be ahead. He said there had been "a massive drop in export trading" between 1972 and 1975. "If we don't reverse

that trend, we're in serious trouble," he said.

Bennett also repeated that low productivity had always hurt B.C. on the export market.

"We have traditionally had lower productivity than Oregon and Washington," he said, "but for many years we also had lower wages, so it balanced out fairly well. Now

we have wages 13 per cent higher plus lower productivity, and we are in danger of pricing ourselves out of the market."

The premier said he had discussed B.C.'s economic problems with Ottawa and had urged Prime Minister Trudeau to make a positive statement on the future life of the Anti-Inflation Board.


"I pointed out that the uncertainty was casting a cloud over the bargaining table in B.C. and that uncertainty was creating serious problems for both labor and management," he said.

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Ferries answer awaited

British Columbia should get an answer from the federal government on B.C. ferry subsidies within two weeks.

That information about the wait doesn't please Don Lockstead (NDP-Mackenzie), but it was the best he could get Monday from Transport Minister Jack Davis.

Back in the Legislature after close to a week in Ottawa, Davis, was asked by Mackenzie how he's fared on his bid for aid for the B.C. ferry system, particularly as the system related to the central and northwest coasts.

Davis said three meetings had been held with federal officials and ministers. "They know our position and requirements," he said.

"Any commitments?" asked Lockstead.

"We'll know in two weeks," Davis answered.

"When will you restore the service (to the north)?" Lockstead asked.

"We'll get an answer in two weeks," Davis replied. "We expect to improve on the service offered for so many years by the federal government."

The government is looking for a \$15 million annual subsidy for the general ferry service. If the federal government agrees to that sum, the province is committed to providing an "adequate" year-round service to central and north coast dwellers from the existing ferry fleet.

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Toronto trading

TORONTO (CP) — The Toronto stock market recovered from an earlier moderate decline to record only a fractional drop at the close of very light trading Monday.

Trading halts continue in shares of Canadian International Power Co. Ltd. and Provincial Bank of Canada.

The company had announced earlier that it would seek shareholder approval for a plan to distribute its own shares. A further announcement is expected.

Provincial Bank shares were halted at the opening of the market.

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MARKET REPORT

Closing quotations for Monday, Feb. 14, 1977

Large table of market quotations including various stock indices and individual stock prices.

New York

NEW YORK (AP) — Big-name issues bounced back from some steep recent losses to lead an afternoon rally in the stock market Monday.

Analysts said the upswing stemmed primarily from the impact market forces after a drop of 73.13 Dow points in the first six weeks of the year.

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VANCOUVER — Prices were down in moderately active trading Monday on the Vancouver Stock Exchange.

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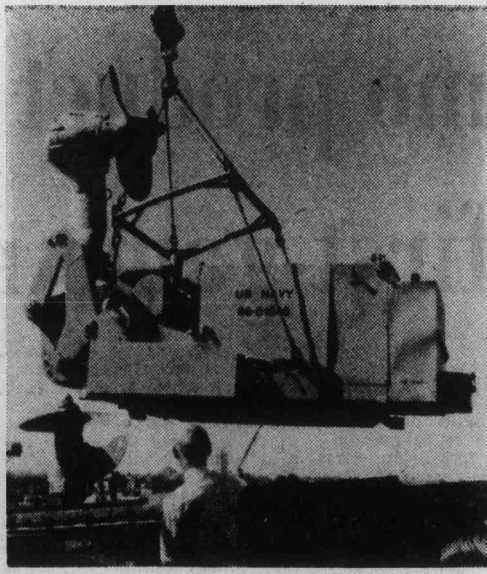
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CanCel pulp gone

A multi-million dollar fire at a forest products terminal at Antwerp during the week end destroyed a large supply of stored Canadian Cellulose pulp.

A spokesman for the company said in Vancouver the fire would not disrupt the company's European pulp marketing program because the destroyed terminal was one of several used to maintain pulp inventories in Europe.

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Canadian Pacific profit \$190 million

MONTREAL (CP) — Canadian Pacific Ltd., reported Monday preliminary net income for 1976 of \$190 million, or \$2.62 a share, compared with final net income for 1975 of 174.9 million, or \$2.40 a share.

Net income for the fourth quarter of 1976 was \$56 million, compared with \$53.4 million in the same period of 1975.

A company statement said the increase came from the company's transportation and telecommunications divisions. Income from Canadian Pacific Investments Ltd. declined marginally as increases in profits from the company's mining, iron and steel, and hotel investments were greater than increased profits from oil and gas, logging and real estate investment.

New payout by Daon

VANCOUVER (CP) — Daon Development Corporation Saturday announced a change in dividend policy, introducing dividends on common shares while maintaining the current dividend level of preferred (class A) shares.

The board of directors decided that Daon's new policy will be to pay out in quarterly dividends on its common shares of at least 10 per cent of the company's net earnings.

For Daon shareholders of record April 10, 1977, this will mean a dividend of eight cents a share payable April 25. The board approved the regular quarterly dividend of 18 1/2 cents on class A shares, also payable April 25 to shareholders of record April 10.

Newer cable coming

NEW YORK (AP) — The Warner Cable Corp., said Sunday it has developed a major new multi-channel programming and two-way communications system for cable television service.

The new 30-channel service is expected to begin operation later this year in Columbus, Ohio.

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Satellites planned for early 80s

OTTAWA (CP) — Proposals are being invited by Telesat Canada to build three new Anik C satellites for commercial telecommunications services, the Crown corporation announced Monday.

There are already three Telesat satellites in service, called the Anik A series, that provide national television, telephone and message telecommunications.

The first of the new satellites is to be delivered to Telesat during the first half of 1980. It will be launched into orbit later that year.

The satellites will operate in high frequency ranges, so earth stations for them may be set up in downtown areas, Telesat says.

Telecommunications satellites usually last about seven years. Telesat says that an interim replacement for Anik A-1, which was launched in November, 1972, now is being built. It will be launched in 1978.

Telesat advised suppliers in the telecommunications and electronic industries last week that it will select three

prime contractors for the new satellites. Contracts are to be awarded in November this year, Telesat says.

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ly great. No power development is without its impacts. In some parts of Canada, for example, strip mining and flooding are sometimes the only, or the most effective, or the most economical means of providing power.

What Canada's utilities are trying to do, in short, is to achieve and maintain a reasonable and acceptable balance between protection of the environment and the growing energy needs of the nation.

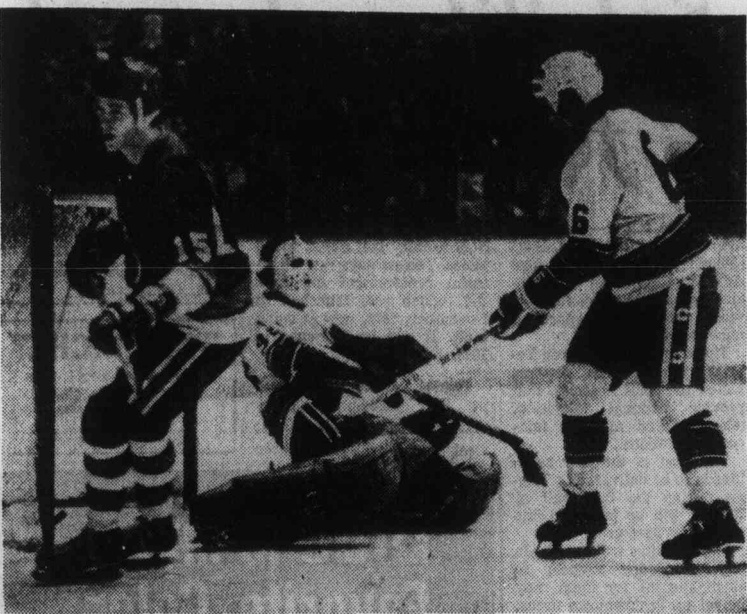
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Nanaino product snaps NHL first-game record

All Hill kept mumbling, over and over: "I can't believe it, I can't believe it." Hill's state of shock wasn't surprising.

Until 11 a.m. Monday, he was a journeyman hockey player toiling for Springfield Indians of the American Hockey League.

All Hill did in his first NHL game was score two goals and three assists for five points. Ron Andrews, publicist director of the NHL, said that as far as he could determine, Hill was the first rookie ever to score five points in his first league game.

Hill, 21-year-old native of Nanaimo scored goals on his first two shots of the night as the Flyers went on to defeat the Blues 6-4.

Patrick Division, Smythe Division, Adams Division, Norris Division. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

ST. LOUIS 4, PHILADELPHIA 4. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

NEW YORK ISLANDERS 2, VANCOUVER 1. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

Enquist faces double duty after weekend heroics

Paul Enquist may see double duty for Victoria Cougars tonight when the Western Canada Hockey League club meets the Centennials in Calgary.

A minor disappointment since being acquired in trade from the Centennials at the Christmas break, Enquist snapped out of the scoring doldrums on the weekend with

five goals, including four in a 4-1 tie with Medicine Hat Tigers on Sunday in the Alberta city.

WESTERN DIVISION, CENTRAL DIVISION, EASTERN DIVISION. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

Sport digest

City runners win

VANCOUVER — Dave Weicker led a strong Victoria contingent on the weekend at the B.C. senior indoor track and field championships.

800 metres (2:14.5), Gail Gummer of Esquimalt in the 200 m. (25.8 secs.) and Joyce Yakubowich of Victoria in the 400 m. (58.2).

Burka dethroned

KEYSTONE, Colo. (AP) — Unheralded Vera Bryndzey of the Soviet Union, leading a sweep of all three medals by the Russian team, claimed the world title Sunday at the women's world speed skating championships.

up fourth in the over-all standings. Defending champion Sylvia Burka of Winnipeg, in second place prior to the final event, slipped and fell during her head-to-head race with Stepankaya, and her slow time dropped her to 15th place.

Cruyff draws suspension

MADRID (AFP) — Johann Cruyff, former World Cup soccer star with the Netherlands, has been suspended for three first-class matches by the Spanish Football Federation.

The referee ordered Cruyff off the field, a decision which provoked uproar among the crowd. At the end of the match, angry fans tried to force their way into the club's offices and several people were injured in skirmishes with police.

England 285 for six

BOMBAY (Reuters) — England, replying to — India's first-innings total of 338, was 285 for six at the close of the third day of the fifth cricket test Monday.

Prasanna's victims included top-scorer Mike Brearley, who was dismissed nine runs short of his first test hundred.

Champion joins Falcons

JIM CHAMPION, former head coach of B.C. Lions, has been named defense line coach of Atlanta Falcons of the NFL.

... In weekend tennis, Chris Evert defeated Margaret Court in the finals of a \$100,000 tournament in Chicago.

The Original Knight SOLUNAR TABLETS When To Fish Or Hunt

SUNDAY TORONTO 3, N.Y. RANGERS 8. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

Wirtanen sparks hoop win

League president Dave Wirtanen spurred Victoria Athletics to victory Monday, sinking 20 points in an 82-53 win over Trilac Installations in a Victoria Senior "B" Men's Basketball League game at Victoria High.

ATLANTA 2, CHICAGO 4. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

MONTREAL 3, DETROIT 3. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

Leafs force fifth game

Victoria Maple Leafs battled back for a 3-1 tie Monday night to force a fifth game in their best-of-five Big Six Hockey League semi-final series with Western Homes Buckaroos.

Canucks decide to drop appeal

MONTREAL (CP) — Vancouver Canucks of the National Hockey League have withdrawn an appeal regarding the suspension of defenseman Jack McIlhargey, the NHL announced Monday.

McIlhargey's suspension has therefore been extended up to and including March 3.

CLEVELAND 2, BOSTON 4. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

At Daytona Smith will try to improve time

DAYTONA, Fla. — Roy Smith of Victoria will attempt to better his qualifying time today in preparation for Sunday's Daytona 500 stock car race.

Changes were made to the rear end and transmission following Monday's trial and the Victoria crew received valuable assistance from veteran Dave Marcus, a regular on the major stock car circuits in the U.S.

Barry sparks hoop rally

MILWAUKEE — Rick Barry keyed a come-from-behind surge Sunday as the West posted a 125-124 victory over the East in the 27th National Basketball Association all-star game.

It was the 10th win for the West against 17 for the East. It appeared that the East, sparked by Julius Erving and



Al Hill

sparkling NHL debut

Clark made it 6-2 before Berenson's second goal and a score by Bob Hess for St. Louis completed the scoring.

Robert, who scored three goals Sunday in a 6-2 win over Minnesota North Stars, now has nine goals in six games and 24 for the season.

The sharpshooting right-winger snapped a 2-2 tie with Toronto Maple Leafs at 4:30 of the third period, scored again at 6:25 and completed the hat-trick at 14 minutes.

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TORONTO 2, BUFFALO 7. Table with columns: Team, W, L, T, P, F, A, Pts.

Cleveland group set to purchase Barons

CHICAGO (AP) — Cleveland Barons will be sold to Cleveland interests soon, the National Hockey League club would not fold and its players "will be paid on time," William Wirtz, president of Chicago Black Hawks, said Monday.

The NHL's board of governors concluded more than six hours of meetings on the crisis confronting the Barons, then Wirtz mentioned the prospective sale.

Changes were made to the rear end and transmission following Monday's trial and the Victoria crew received valuable assistance from veteran Dave Marcus, a regular on the major stock car circuits in the U.S.

After the Barons went unpaid on Feb. 1, all but one, who was not identified, signed documents which transferred the league of their intention to become free agents under NHL bylaws which they said they would not be paid by midnight Thursday night.

Negotiations by a four-man committee empowered to resolve the Cleveland situation continued through the night in an effort to speed up action on the sale.

"We see some light at the end of the tunnel which I didn't see yesterday," Ziegler said after the meeting. "It was a combination of all parties working last night (Sunday) and today, getting over some hurdles it didn't look like they'd get over."

Ziegler has worked with Swig since the Jan. 24-25 meetings at Vancouver where Swig asked for "assistance and advice" on the matter.

They then met with the Barons' players and Alan Eagleson, executive director of the NHL Players' Association. That meeting produced an agreement by the players to accept a deferral of 27 per cent of their salaries in an attempt to keep the franchise afloat.

Racquet club rink takes long route

Don Matheson of the Victoria Racquet Club, who won Vancouver Island zone honors a year ago, Sunday qualified for the Island mixed rinks curling final by coming out of the "B" event in the 18-rink double-knockout competition at the Victoria Curling Club.

It took five successive victories for the Matheson rink to become one of the four rinks which go to Courtenay next weekend to compete for the Island championship. It lost its first game, on Friday night, won three times on Saturday and made it with two victories Sunday.

Sunday's first win was by 6-2 over clubmate Len Becker, and the qualifying victory was by 8-7 over Playland-veteran Harvey Thomson.

Grabbing the second "B" qualifying spot on Sunday was

the VCC rink skipped by Gordie Carmichael.

Carmichael reached the semi-finals of the "A" event before losing, and that allowed him to start the "B" side in the semi-finals, and he got the needed win by defeating Wayne Stratton of the VCC, 11-4.

Finalists in the "A" and "B" events qualified, and Jim Fennell of the VCC and Dave Smith of the Juan de Fuca CC made it Saturday night with victories over Thomson and Carmichael, respectively.

Curling with Fennell are Claire Dunnean, Keith Hoey and Colleen Robertson; with Smith are Lorna and Darwin Dopson and Bonnie Smith; Matheson called the shots for his wife, Mary, and Joe LaTurnus and Diane Samson, and Lee Corke, Doug Benedict and Fran Schauter make up the cast for Carmichael.

Make-up quartet tops bonspiel

Victoria Curling Club rinks won three of the four events Sunday as play in the annual men's bonspiel at the Victoria Racquet Club ended.

Tim Horrigan, who put together a rink to fill a late vacancy and keep the entry at the maximum 64 rinks, scored six successive victories to take the "A" event. His last win was by 8-7 over a youthful quartet of clubmates skipped by Steve Williams and entered by Kelly Oulton.

Murray Walker's rink won the "C" event by besting Rene Bradley of the host club, 9-5, and the other VCC win was by Bud Taylor's foursome in the "D" event.

Ed Hedley of the Oak Bay Curling Club won the "C" event, besting Ivan Wood to prevent a sweep for the VCC.

"A" EVENT
 1. Tim Horrigan, Jack Trueman, Doug Conn, R. J. Horrigan (VCC).
 2. Steve Williams, Kelly Oulton, Bill Foster, Daryl Jones (VCC).
 3. Steve Williams, Bob Shillings, Don Nemeth, Len Anderson (VCC).
 4. Bruce Coulter, Greg Bath, Brian Scross, Wayne Coulter (P).

"B" EVENT
 1. Ed Hedley, Bob Hunt, Dean Lachour, Ken Wron (OB).
 2. Ivan Wood, Hart Altswasser, Ernie Webb, Bob Noble (VCC).
 3. Eddy Moyes, John Ansell, Glen Anderson, Robbie Dunn (RCV).
 4. Ralph Sinden, Bill MacLean, Mike Zabrick, Ken Guthrie (VCC).

"C" EVENT
 1. Murray Walker, Eveleigh, Arne Sundstrom, Grant Fenwick (VCC).
 2. Rene Bradley, Larry Martell, Jerome Bergerman, Bob Bell (RCV).
 3. Ches Hays, Bruce Walker, Peter Doherty, Hutchins (RCV).
 4. Cliff Brown, Terry Fitzpatrick, Jim Kinghorn, Roland Martin (RCV).

"D" EVENT
 1. Bud Taylor, Lloyd Larson, Kirby Moysay, Gary Spence (VCC).
 2. Jim Galloway, Harry Guika, Fred Ziegler, Frank Wright (P).
 3. Jim Denortfeld, Barry Brown, Chuck Macklin, Ted Jones (P).
 4. Dave Falkins, Ron Schmidt, John Falkins, Mike Falkins (RCV).

Eison sparkles as leaders upset

Rick Eison scored four goals Sunday to lead Rebels I to a 6-3 decision over Tigers, the first loss of the season for the Vancouver Island Men's Field Hockey Association leaders.

Brian Allison and Dave Johansen also scored for Rebels and Subhash Sharma (2) and Jaswand Sarma scored for Tigers, who lead

Rebels I by one point in the first division.

In other matches, Rebels II and Oak Bay played to a 3-3 tie; Marketmen edged Rebels IV 3-2 and Tigers II posted a 1-0 win over UVic Vikings.

Ray Dilba, Pat Cluff and Greg West scored for Rebels II and Dave Billingham, Eric Kjestad and Jan Atin had the Oak Bay goals.

Steve Murphy (2) and Steve Craig scored for Marketmen, Mike Doherty scored both goals for Rebels IV and Jagir Danowa scored for Tigers II.

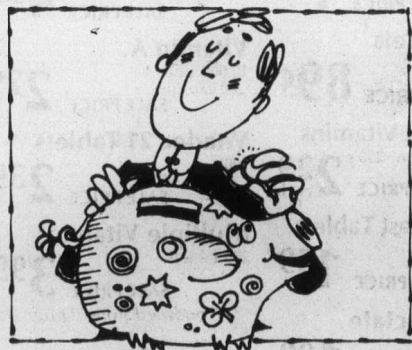
Defenceman up

UNIONDALE, N.Y. (AP) — New York Islanders of the National Hockey League have recalled defenceman Neil Nicholson from Fort Worth of the Central Hockey League. He will replace Bert Marshall, who has a viral infection.

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Tigers I	6	5	1	0	1	0	10
Rebels I	6	4	2	0	0	0	8
Castaways	6	2	2	1	1	0	5
Rebels II	6	2	3	1	0	0	5
Oak Bay	6	0	4	1	1	0	1

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Rebels III	5	3	0	2	0	0	8
Tigers II	5	2	2	1	0	0	5
Marketmen	5	2	2	1	0	0	5
U. Victoria	5	2	2	1	0	0	5
Rebels IV	5	0	5	0	0	0	0

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Athletics top soccer pack with help from Nanaimo

Vancouver Island Soccer League teams compete in Jackson Cup qualifying play this weekend so the battle for first place in the premier division will likely be settled on Saturday, Feb. 26.

That's when front-running Victoria Athletics and defending-champion Victoria West are scheduled to clash at Royal Athletic Park in the match which will probably decide the final placings.

Athletics edged one point up on the Wests Sunday by scoring a 4-0 win over Oak Bay while Nanaimo City sent Vic West to its first loss of the season, a 3-1 decision at Blanshard Field. Vic West has a game in hand on the Athletics as the teams head into the final month of league play.

In other Sunday matches, Gorge-Molsons nipped rival Gorge United 1-0 and University of Victoria Vikings kept pace with a 3-1 win over Powell River Villas.

George Pakos scored twice for the Athletics and Dan Hood and Frank Wood completed the scoring.

Ray Clarke opened and closed the scoring for Nanaimo City and Don Altiz was the other Nanaimo sniper. Mike Sails scored for Vic West, now 11-1-1 in league play.

Pam wins golf playoff

MIAMI (AP) — Pam Higgins sank a three-foot par putt on the first hole of a sudden-death playoff Sunday with first prize in a \$50,000 Ladies Professional Golfers' Association tournament.

Rankin, the defending champion, had forced the playoff by sinking a six-foot putt for par on the 18th hole.

But her drive on the playoff hole, the 13th, hit a spectator and rolled under a tree. It took her two more shots to reach the green.

Higgins started the day a shot behind Rankin and three shots behind second-round leader Sandra Post, former Oakville Ont., resident now living in Florida.

Higgins had a three-under-par 69 in regulation play on the 6250-yard Kendale Lakes Country Club layout for a total of 212 while Post ended at 213 to tie with Roberta Albers Speer and earn \$3,160.

Weekend results:

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Victoria Ath.	14	12	2	0	35	14	24
Victoria West	13	11	1	1	38	23	23
Gorge Molsons	14	9	2	3	39	27	21
Nanaimo City	15	9	5	1	27	21	19
UVic Vikings	13	7	3	3	26	18	17
Castaways	15	4	8	3	23	31	11
Gorge United	15	2	10	2	26	8	8
Powell River	14	3	10	1	20	25	7
Oak Bay	15	2	10	3	22	20	7
DaVinci	14	2	11	1	9	31	8

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Duncari	15	11	2	2	48	24	24
Prospect Lake	16	8	3	5	20	31	31
Nanaimo	16	8	4	4	27	28	18
Victoria West	16	7	4	5	20	31	18
Cosmo Royals	16	7	7	2	31	16	16
Frisia Const.	16	7	7	2	28	16	16
Metro Toyota	15	4	7	2	22	21	14
Castaways	16	4	8	4	29	41	12
UVic Norsemen	15	3	9	3	25	41	9
Saanich Braves	15	3	9	3	24	46	9

Team	P	W	L	T	F	A	Pts
Victoria West 0, Cosmo Royals 0.							
Prospect Lake 6, Saanich Braves 1.							
Duncan 4, Nanaimo 1.							
Castaways 2, Metro Toyota 0.							
Frisia Construction 4, UVic Norsemen 1.							

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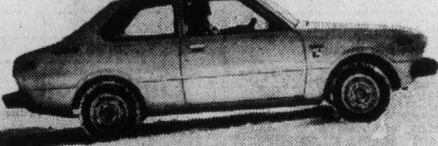
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Santa Anita racing

ARCADIA, Calif. — Results of Sunday's thoroughbred racing at Santa Anita:

FIRST RACE
 Irish Student (A. Cordero Jr.) \$5.20 \$3.40 \$2.40
 Has To Run (Meredo) 7.40 4.40
 Run Proud (Sellers) 4.60
 Time 1:24
 Scratched — Black Eward, Silver Doctor.

SECOND RACE
 Napsua Strotic (Toro) \$6.00 \$4.20 \$3.80
 Desolite Sands (Shoemaker) 4.60 4.20
 Shop Windows (Sellers) 4.60
 Time 1:10
 Daily double paid \$24.40.
 Scratched — Sirenic, Free To Fly.

THIRD RACE
 Pleasure Shack (Toro) \$2.80 \$2.60 \$2.20
 Galloping Pine (Mihargue) 5.20 3.20
 Margin Call (A. Cordero Jr.) 2.80
 Time 1:38 2/5
 Scratched — Sunniest Day.

FOURTH RACE
 Precipitation (A. Cordero Jr.) \$11.60 \$6.20 \$5.00
 Neat Claim (Pincay) 4.80 4.00
 Gentleman James II (M. Castaneda) 5.00
 Time 1:13 1/5
 No scratches.

FIFTH RACE
 J. George (Toro) \$13.80 \$7.80 \$4.40
 Starwood (Al Diaz) 4.80 4.00
 Tequila Sunrise (M. Castaneda) 2.80
 Time 1:44 1/5
 \$5 exacta paid \$366.00.
 Scratched — Protocol.

SIXTH RACE
 Zup (Toro) \$14.20 \$4.40 \$4.00
 Pishall (Shoemaker) 4.80 3.80
 Two Bings (Cordero Jr.) 6.40
 Time 1:43 2/5
 Scratched — Postmark, Mr. Charm, Ale House II, Real Lucky Deal.

SEVENTH RACE
 Legendario III (Shoemaker) 4.40 \$3.00 \$2.60
 dh-Cavassay (M Seller) 4.20 3.80
 dh-Engeln Rukun (L. Pincay Jr.) 2.80 3.00
 Time 1:47 1/5
 dh-Dead heat for second.
 \$5 exacta paid \$20.50.
 Scratched—Condestrate Yankee.

EIGHTH RACE
 Luce Maret (Shoemaker) \$10.80 \$3.20 \$2.80
 Hill Hilarious (D. Pierce) 4.20 3.80
 Up To Juliet (Pincay Jr.) 2.60 2.20
 Time 1:48 1/5
 Scratched—Sweet Robbery, Gran-ia Sauro.

NINTH RACE
 Rullson (W Shoemaker) \$11.40 \$6.80 \$3.40
 Hall And Farewell (A Cordero Jr.) 5.40 2.80
 Nantwich (Pincay Jr.) 2.40
 Time 1:43 2/5
 No scratches.
 Attendance 38,525. Mutuel handle \$5,115,355.

Cauthen clears hurdle

NEW YORK (AP) — Steve Cauthen, who seems to handle government bureaucracy as easily as he does ontrack competition, rode four winners in the first eight races at Aqueduct Monday and brought his victory total for the year to 100.

The 100th victory came in the feature eighth race, the \$25,000 Going Away Purse, when Cauthen rode Gabe Benzur to a three-length score.

Before turning in another big day at the track, the 16-year-old apprentice jockey spent the morning at a New York state labor department office picking up working papers.

Cauthen had been licensed as a jockey by the New York State Racing and Wagering Board. But Saturday, the labor department began informing horse owners and trainers that by using Cauthen they were violating a law prohibiting the hiring of minors under 17, who don't have working papers.

Juvenile soccer

Results of Sunday matches played by teams in the Lower Island Juvenile Soccer Association.

DIVISION 1A — B.C. Cup — Gorge FC 5, Gordon Head Esso 1; Davinci 3, Bays United Oak Bay Kiwanis 4.

DIVISION 1B — League — Cordova Bay Chiefs 2, Cowichan Invaders 7, Gordon Head Cosmos 1, Cordova Bay Royals 6.

DIVISION 1C — League — Prospect Lake Vampires 5, Sallspring Orange 5, Bays United Royal Trust 1, Gordon Head Caberston 4; Lakelhill Rogers Plumbing and Heating 1, Evening Optimist Sante (exhibition); Evening Optimist Olympics 4, Gorge Canadians 4 (exhibition).

DIVISION 2A — B.C. Cup — Lakelhill Totem-Towing 4, Gordon Head Cosmos 0.

DIVISION 2A — District Cup — Peninsula Tigers 6, Bays United 4; Prospect Lake Leo's 3, Lakelhill Longhorns 3 (exhibition); Bays United Hygrade 4, Evening Optimist Raiders 1 (exhibition).

DIVISION 3A — B.C. Cup — Evening Optimist Royals 1, Gorge Royals 2.

DIVISION 3A — District Cup — Gordon Head B.C. Land 2, Lakelhill Gillespie Electric 1.

DIVISION 3B — District Cup — Gorge Buccaneers 1, Peninsula Vikings 8; Evening Optimist Blues 2, Dunce Divines 0 (exhibition).

DIVISION 3C — District Cup — Spoke 4, Lakelhill Mercury Marine 2; Peninsula Hawks 3, Gordon Head Century Inn 1; Prospect Lake Cubs 2, Cordova Bay Seals 1; Bays United Whites 10, Evening Optimist Skyhawks 0; Gordon Head Shell 3, Gorge United 1 (exhibition).

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Foresters in woods about metric

By PAUL BENNETT
Colonist Reporter

Insistence on "soft" conversion — or even outright reluctance to convert to the metric way — has made the forest industry one of the "bad boys" of metric conversion.

And since forest products contribute about half of B.C.'s total provincial output, it's probably worth the exercise of devoting a little effort to the whys and wherefores of forest metric conversion.

First, the federal Metric Commission, in league with the industry itself, has sanctioned "soft" conversion for all dimension lumber, which means a two-by-four will remain a two-by-four, although

it will be measured in centimetres or millimetres.

Secondly, since our biggest customer, the United States, is lagging five years behind Canada on the conversion path it "doesn't make sense" to get too far ahead of the Americans, a spokesman for the B.C. Council of Forest Industries said.

Thirdly, since most of the overseas export customers are already accustomed to ordering plywood and other semi-finished products in either imperial units or metric equivalents of imperial units, the forest industries aren't in too much of a hurry to change there either.

And finally, although there is still debate at the highest levels, the Canadian paper in-

dustry has decided to retain its standard sizes of paper for the foreseeable future and reject the international metric sizes.

Other factors enter the picture. For example, to produce a standard metric-sized sheet of plywood without costly re-tooling, the manufacturer first makes a four-foot by eight-foot sheet, then trims it to 1,200 by 2,400 millimetres.

(Millimetres, the thickness of a dime, are used rather than centimetres or metres for widths because of the close tolerances needed in conversions from imperial measurements.)

Since a four-by-eight foot sheet of plywood measures 1,219.2 millimetres by 2,438.4 mm, you can see there is a

small amount of waste in the conversion process, plus the labor cost for double handling if the sheet has to be double-sawn.

Life is difficult for the plywood exporter already, because different countries order in different ways.

The West Germans, for example, want four-by-eight sheets expressed in millimetres, because for their purposes most of it will have to be cut anyway, and they save the premium on metric sizes.

The French want their sheets four feet wide by 2,400 mm long, while from the United Kingdom there are orders for both 1,200 by 2,400 mm sheets and four-by-eight foot sheets.

In 1975, the forest products

planning sector was all set for Canada to go for "hard" metric conversion in lumber sizes by September, 1979. U.S. observers on the committee at first agreed with that timetable, but later said the U.S. wouldn't be ready to convert until 1985.

The Canadians — at least the B.C. Council of Forest Industries — whose members export 60 per cent of their output to the U.S., immediately backed off. And that's why conversions in lumber will be soft.

According to an authority in the B.C. forest products picture, the reason for the doubletake was that although Canadian producers had the ability to make "hard" conversions with their equip-

ment, U.S. lumbermen have a heavy investment in non-adjustable sawmills.

He said the fate of conversion in North America is now in the hands of the U.S. construction industry, which can pressure U.S. suppliers to go metric.

Meantime, the B.C. forests ministry has proceeded with its metric conversion plans so that the industry is even now having to do some of its figuring in metric units.

Government appraisals, forest inventory, scaling (estimating of the volume of board-foot in logs), and other figures that will hit the producers in the pocketbook are either metric or soon will be.

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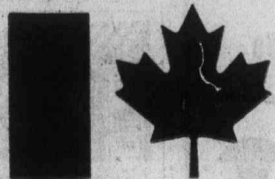


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THE SLIM GOURMET

CALORIE CONSCIOUS COOKING

By Barbara Gibbons

Dear Slim Gourmet: You once said that your recipes take the calories out of food. How do you get rid of them? What are calories and what do they look like? Are there any foods that don't have calories? Why don't they make foods without calories? I would like to be thinner.

Karen D. (age 9) Cleveland.

Dear Karen: Everybody talks about calories, but lots of people don't know what to do about them. Some people

don't understand what they really are, so let me explain as simply as I can.

Calories can't be seen or touched. They're not like the seeds in a grape or the peel of an orange you can throw away. Calorie is just a measurement word, like the words mile or minute. A mile tells you how far, a minute tells you how long.

What does the word calorie tell you? How much energy or food fuel you can get from a certain food. Your body runs on food fuel, just as a car runs on gasoline. You need food fuel to stay alive, move around, keep warm and grow.

Two "Twinkies" have 10 times more food fuel than a handful of grapes, so we can say that the "Twinkies" have 320 calories and the grapes only 32.

Now, since you need food

fuel, you might think that the more calories food has the better. Not true.

Simply eating calories doesn't mean that your body will use it all up anymore than putting gas in a car makes it go. You have to move the car — drive it — to use up the gas. And you have to move your body to use up calories. You have to move a lot to use up foods with lots of calories. Some foods have so much food fuel — calories — that it's almost impossible to use it all up.

If a car's gas tank is full of gas, you can't put in any more. But the body is different. You can always eat more! What the body does with extra food fuel — calories — is save them for later in the nourishing, filling foods. I can't get rid of all the calories, just the unnecessary ones.

There's no such things as food without some calories. Water, coffee and tea have no calories, but no vitamins or minerals either, so they're not really food. But there are two things that have nothing but calories. Lots of so-called junk foods are mostly calories and little else.

How can you be thinner? Be more active. Eat healthy low-calorie foods. Ask your mother to cook without high-calorie ingredients. Ask your teacher or school nurse to help you learn more about healthy low-calorie foods.

If you need to lose weight, you family doctor can give you an eating plan to shed excess fat without harming your health.

extra ice cream you ate last week or last month.

How to get rid of those bulges? Eat less food fuel than you need today so your body is forced to run itself on the food fuel stored up in the excess fat. And be more active. More walking, running and bike riding helps use up more calories.

But going hungry or skipping meals isn't the answer, because food has more than calories. You need vitamins, mineral and other nutrients to keep you healthy. Fill up on foods high in nutrients, but low in calories.

Many high nutrient foods are low in calories: Fresh fruits and vegetables, lean meats, chicken, fish, skim milk, low fat cheese. If you eat nourishing, low-calorie foods, you can lose weight without being hungry or tired.

On the other hand, some high-calorie foods are low in nutrients: Cakes, candy, cookies, sweets, snacks, sodas. If you eat high-calorie foods, you can gain weight but still be hungry and tired.

Now to answer your questions:

The way I take the calories out of recipes is to get rid of, or cut down, on ingredients high in calories — things like sugar, fat, starch, oil, butter, grease — while leaving in the nourishing, filling foods. I can't get rid of all the calories, just the unnecessary ones.

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Pot: New hint of damage

By LARRY BARTLETT
Crosley News Service

NEW ORLEANS — The controversy over the use of marijuana has been heightened by a campaign in the U.S. to legalize the drug, with supporters claiming that marijuana is no more harmful to the body than alcohol.

However, a University of New Orleans Biologist is engaged in a research project which is producing evidence that marijuana — unlike alcohol — could have long-term residual effects on the nerves, resulting in lethargy.

Dr. Clinton A. Olmsted, associate professor of biological sciences, is studying marijuana's biochemical effects on the brains of rats in an effort to determine the exact cause and duration of a marijuana "high."

Olmsted is licensed to conduct marijuana research by the Federal Bureau of Narcotics and Dangerous Drugs, and he receives preparations of the drug from the National Institute of Mental Health and the National Institute of Drug Abuse for this work. However, his is a private research project, supported only by limited funding from the University's biology department.

"The active ingredient in marijuana — the substance that causes the sensation of feeling high — is a chemical compound called THC," says Olmsted.

"Our research is indicating that marijuana smokers experience a high because quantities of THC are accumulating in the synapses — microscopic structures that connect the brain's nerves.

"The synapses are composed of two layers of protein surrounding a layer of fat. The sodium transport enzyme is located in the protein layer and is sensitive to changes in the fat layer," the UNO professor explains. "It's the function of this enzyme to 'pump' sodium, thus accounting for the electrical impulses that occur between nerves when stimulated. The fatty layer of the synapse plays a key role in regulating this biochemical process.

"The drug THC is dissolved by fat and is readily absorbed into the synaptic structures of the brain," Olmsted continues.

"When THC is absorbed by the fatty layer of the synapse, it tends to block the action of the sodium transport enzyme and impairs the passage of impulses through the nerves. This is the effect that probably causes the sensation of being high."

To measure the rate at which THC is absorbed by the synapse, Olmsted grinds up brain tissue from rats and



Dr. Olmsted in his lab.

effect of blocking the sodium pump action in the nerve endings of the brain, creating intoxication," the biologist continues. But alcohol is dissolvable in water and is quickly washed out of the brain by the passage of blood, to be burned up as energy or excreted from the body. However, THC is dissolved only by fat instead of water... it isn't as readily washed away by the blood nor is it metabolized for energy.

"Supporters of marijuana often cite research data showing that, in simulated driving tests, alcohol and marijuana impair the driver's ability in about the same way. But, what these test don't usually show is that marijuana can impair the driver's ability for much longer.

"Because the psychoactive ingredient in marijuana dissolves into the body's fat cells, there may be an emulative effect... it's estimated that it takes as long as a month to get rid of half of the THC that's absorbed between the nerve endings of the brain."

But, while the research project has established that THC is retained by the body, Olmsted hasn't yet determined the length of its duration and effects.

"Our next step will be to give rats THC internally, measuring the drug's uptake and transport in the blood and determining how long it stays there," says the professor. "After injecting the rats with THC, we'll periodically take samples of their blood to see how long the THC remains.

"We're being supplied with radioactive THC to more easily trace its transport through the blood. Also, we'll check the brains of some of the rats over a period of time to determine exactly how long impairment of the sodium transport enzyme lasts."

spins the mixture at high speed in an ultracentrifuge. The centrifugal force separates the microscopic nerve endings from the rest of the brain material. The pure sample of never endings is then placed in a test tube and the marijuana extract THC is added.

"The fatty layer of the syn-

apse absorbs THC at a rate of 6,000 to 1... so great is its affinity for the drug that the synapse absorbs more than 99 per cent of it," Olmsted says.

"As a result of a low dosage of THC, the action of the sodium transport enzyme — along specific pathways of the brain — is impaired by 92 per cent. Alcohol also produces this



Ann Landers

Dear Ann Landers: Will you print something that appeared in the Rhode Island Churchman? It really made me stop and think. Perhaps other readers who have teenage daughters will see themselves — as I did. — A Providence Reader

SATURDAY WITH A TEENAGE DAUGHTER

Are you going to sleep all day? ... Who said you could use my hair spray? ... Clean the dishes off the table ... Turn down that radio ... Have you made your bed? ... That skirt is too short ... Your closet is a mess ... Stand up straight ... Somebody has to go to the store ... Quit chewing your gum like that ... Your hair is too bushy ... I don't care if everybody else does have one ... Turn down that radio ... Have you done your homework? ... Don't slouch ... You didn't make your bed ... Quit banging on the piano ... Why don't you iron it yourself? ... Your fingernails are too long ... Look it up in the dictionary ... Sit up straight ... Get off that phone ... Why did you ever buy that record? ... Take the dog out ... You forgot to dust that table ... You've been in the bathroom long enough ... Turn off that radio and go to sleep.

Another day gone and not once did I say, "I love you." Dear Lord, forgive me.

Dear Providence: Thank you for giving us all something to think about.

Dear Ann Landers: I went with a very charming man for six months. He treated me like a queen and I was in heaven. He spoke of marriage. (I was widowed two years ago, he lost his wife about the same time.)

Last week he borrowed \$400 from me to pay for his mother's dental bill. Yesterday I learned his mother died ten years ago. Today he informed me that his mother died ten years ago.

Last week he borrowed \$400 from me to pay for his mother's dental bill. Yesterday I learned his mother died ten years ago. Today he informed me that his former girlfriend is in town and he can't see me for at least a month. What does this sound like to you? — Baffled In Bloomfield Hills

Dear Baff.: I think you've just had \$400 worth of experience. Wait and see what happens. If you hear from him again (most unlikely), insist that he repay the \$400, then cool it.

Dear Ann Landers: What do you think about; a you think about a judge who lets wife-beaters out on probation, reporting to their wives, instead of sending them to jail?

This judge in Indiana claims most wives don't want their husbands in jail and don't want a divorce. They just want their husbands to stop beating them. The probation periods range from six months to a year. The judge tells the violence-prone sluggers that if they clobber their wives again they'll have to serve time.

This same judge sentences people convicted of minor offences to work at community projects instead of letting them languish in jail at the taxpayers' expense.

What are your views on this approach to the penal system? — Looking Ahead To Better Days Maybe?

Dear Looking: I like it. The entire penal system needs overhauling and this kind of reasoning makes a great deal of sense. Brutality and incarceration just make people angrier and more determined to "get even." What is needed is rehabilitation.

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New look promised

Smoke over cannabis still just drifting along

OTTAWA (CP) — Since the federal government promised to lighten penalties for possession of marijuana and hashish (cannabis) five years ago, close to 100,000 Canadians have been convicted of the offence under the Narcotics Control Act.

Between 1973 and 1975 nearly 3,000 people, most between the ages of 18 and 29, were imprisoned for simple possession of the drug.

A bill which would have abolished such sentences by moving jurisdiction over cannabis to the less harsh Food and Drug Act died on the Commons order paper nearly two years ago.

Last week Justice Minister Ron Basford promised that the cabinet would consider the situation again but a spokesman in his office said no decision had been made by cabinet.

He said legislation would be introduced soon but the exact date was "up in the air." The government would draw upon the previous cannabis bill

when drafting new legislation. Under the original bill, penalties for simple possession of marijuana and hashish and for small-time traffickers would have been softened, while giving courts more leeway to deal severely with organized dealers.

The maximum fine for first-time possession would have been \$500, with a fine of up to \$1,000 for subsequent offences.

Offenders not paying the fine could go to jail for up to six months.

Under the Narcotics Control Act, fines of up to \$2,000 and imprisonment for up to seven years can be imposed for possession. At present, most life-time offenders are fined between \$200 and \$300.

The federal government has admitted that lumping marijuana and hashish with drugs such as heroin under the Narcotics Control Act is inconsistent.

In 1974, when the legislation was first introduced to move marijuana and hashish under the Food and Drug Act, feder-

al Health Minister Marc Lalonde said the present law is "an ass and full of inconsistencies."

The stiff penalties date from the 1950s, when the Narcotics Control Act was drawn up as a deterrent to the opium and heroin trade. Marijuana, which wasn't a problem then, was thrown in almost as an afterthought.

In 1961 there were only 15 cannabis convictions in Canada, most of them involving visitors. Since then the conviction rate has exploded, topping 25,000 in 1975.

Seven years ago then health minister John Munro said that "if we find a significant minority of the Canadian people smoke marijuana we would be totally irresponsible if we didn't legalize it."

More than 1.5 million Canadians had smoked marijuana by 1972, according to the Royal Commission on the Non-Medical Use of Drugs, better known as the LeDain inquiry. Current estimates place the number as high as three million.

Publisher in like Flynt 'till hell freezes over'

CINCINNATI (UPI) — Larry Flynt, declaring he has a "right" to publish Hustler magazine, says he "owes it to every American to stay in jail till hell freezes over before I compromise my freedom."

The 34-year-old publisher of the sex-oriented magazine has been in jail since his jury conviction last Tuesday on charges of pandering obscenity and engaging in organized-crime.

The case prompted a nationwide outcry from civil liberties groups who see the conviction as a threat to "free expression."

Flynt was sentenced to seven to 25 years in prison and immediately sent to jail without bond. His attorneys so far have been unable to get bail set.

"I owe it to every American to stay in this jail till hell freezes over before I compromise my freedom," Flynt said in an interview at the Hamilton County jail. "I can't compro-

mise the basic principles the first amendment embodies.

"There's nothing in the world like standing up for the principles that this country was founded on. What more can one man do for his country?"

At a bail hearing Wednesday, a judge asked Flynt's attorney if he would stop distributing Hustler in Hamilton County as a condition of bail. Flynt answered a resounding "no" Friday.

Cross-country tour

Prison violence probe over soon

VANCOUVER (CP) — A special Commons subcommittee into violence in federal prisons wraps up a cross-country tour here this week.

Thirteen incidents, including 10 hostage-takings, have taken place at British Columbia Penitentiary alone since Feb. 2, 1975.

It was a 1963 riot at the overcrowded B.C. Penitentiary that forced an extensive program of construction of medium and minimum security prisons, and some treatment centres.

After a series of hostage-takings that cost one life, a destructive riot last Sept. 27 that triggered others at Laval, a maximum-security prison near Montreal, and Millhaven, west of Kingston, Ont., the B.C. prisoners have once again forced a re-examination of the prison system.

The B.C. riot apparently was sparked by tighter security measures demanded by the union of prison guards. The riot ended without violence but the prisoners refused to release two hostages, saying they feared a massacre by guards, until RCMP were brought in.

A year before, guards had rushed three prisoners holding 14 hostages and killed one of the hostages, Mary Steinhauer, with gunfire.

Nobody had been injured in the settlement of more than 20 other hostage-taking incidents in the federal system since 1975 began.

The subcommittee has been told that while similar grievances and complaints led to the Laval and Millhaven riots, they weren't the result of a planned uprising throughout the system. They were more a result of the system itself.

At ancient Laval, a peaceful demonstration had been undisturbed by a few thugs and a cell block destroyed by fire. About 280 prisoners later were transferred to 24-hour lock-ups.

Fifty-eight were still being held this week in the Correctional Development Centre when an anonymous caller

threatened to bomb the Montreal subway unless they were allowed visitors, recreation, and more time out of their cells.

Solicitor-General Francis Fox promptly acceded to the demands—dynamite had been found in the subway system after a previous call.

At Millhaven, all prisoners had been locked up since early October while 166 cells were being repaired although half of them hadn't been involved in the disturbance.

MPs suspect that a guard, declared in 1974 to be unfit to be near prisoners, may have sparked the Millhaven disturbance by calling a group of prisoners names from a guard tower.

Millhaven Director John Dowsett, who will likely run a new maximum-security prison being built in the B.C. region, was replaced last week by a management committee that will try to get Millhaven back to normal.

One of the committee's tasks will be to end what Arthur Trono, Ontario regional director of the Canadian Penitentiary Service, has called an "overtime racket" run by a group of guards who have coerced others into acceptance of the system.

At least two incidents at Millhaven have followed the B.C. riot. Three prisoners were injured Oct. 23 in a disturbance in the auditorium where 200 were being held. It apparently was sparked by news that the damaged cells were being rebuilt.

A pipe bomb exploded in the gymnasium Nov. 22 and the last 65 prisoners being held in the east wing, where living conditions were among the causes of a 1970 riot.

A number of less-dramatic hostage-takings have been prompted by complaints the MPs have found throughout the system. Among them:

Michael Plathe, who had attempted suicide while serving a 17-year sentence and was depressed because he couldn't get a transfer from B.C. Pen, held an instructor hostage, releasing him when assured through a radio station that he would be taken to the regional medical centre at Matsqui.

A prisoner held two instructors at knife-point for about two hours. He hadn't seen his classification officer in more than a year and couldn't find out when his release date would be.

Four prisoners took three guards hostage in the "protective custody" unit which fea-

tured concrete, windowless cells with steel doors and a light that never goes out. All were transferred, either to the psychiatric centre or another prison. The solicitor-general said they weren't dangerous and had simply sought safer and better quarters.

The B.C. tour began here today with formal hearings and testimony from regional officers, Public Service Alliance of Canada representatives, the guards' union, and a public meeting.

Today, the MPs visit the correctional staff college, where guards are trained before going to B.C. Pen for 1½ days of hearings.

They will have a public meeting at Mission, where a new maximum security prison is to be opened shortly, then visit Matsqui before returning to Ottawa.

Split 'would destroy Canada'

By BRUCE LEVETT LONDON (CP) — The Economist, a highly-respected weekly magazine of news and opinion, sees Canada as a country "threatened by a possible economic and political breach that could—and almost certainly would—destroy it."

In a survey taking up more than 50 pages in its Feb. 12 edition, The Economist analyses the rise of the Parti Quebecois under Premier Rene Levesque and says:

"It is really inconceivable that Canada could survive as three chunks, instead of a broadly-interdependent system of 11 federal and provincial governments.

"Or that a French nation in Quebec would bring greater ethnic independence and economic advancement to the large French-Canadian populations in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia or Manitoba.

"Can Quebec really survive, without untold damage to itself and to Canada, as part of a free trade area or Canadian common market? There can be only one answer."

Ronald Bird, whose last Canadian survey appeared in

The Economist five years ago, contrasts Levesque and Prime Minister Trudeau.

Of Levesque, he says: "Mr. Levesque and his colleagues are not ardent nationalists or anti-capitalists. His team conceivably represents the best in ability that has ever been installed in provincial government throughout Canada's history."

"He has earned more respect and gained fewer personal enemies than most other Canadian political thinkers in the past 15 years—a contradictory man to assess and a great human being, awkward but totally unobvious."

Of Trudeau, he says: "His intelligence is unmatched among Canadian prime ministers with the possible exception of Louis St. Laurent."

"At his best, there is no more attractive figure on the Canadian political stage. At his worst, he provokes even worse in other people—an unhealthy blind hatred of a national leader which has soured earlier hopes of national unity. Yet he can be humble, too, as he was after being re-elected by a gnat's whisker in 1972."

However, The Economist's survey contends, "Before Quebecers are consulted on whether they want to stay in Canada, the Levesque government has a stupendous job to put Quebec's finances straight, to get its economy moving, and to deal effectively with the labor movement."

It claims that "a sovereign Quebec would almost certainly be a protectionist Quebec, and that would raise in a new and hideous form the old inter-provincial clashes. It would be a formula for impoverishment and breakdown."

Canada, Bird states, "is not a unitary country and never has been; it is Mr. Trudeau's tragedy that he has failed to make it one."

"Perhaps he has exhausted his role as a leader of all Canada by concentrating too exclusively on federal solutions for Canada's problems, when the provinces have been demanding more room in government for themselves."

However, he says, "There is not a single other provincial government or premier that does not view what Quebec might do as other than a potential calamity for Canada."

Bread-and-butter issues

Tories outline Quebec platform

MONTREAL (CP) — The Progressive Conservative party will fight federal by-election campaigns in five Quebec ridings on bread-and-butter issues, Opposition leader Joe Clark said Saturday.

Clark, in Montreal for campaign-strategy meetings with provincial party organizers, said he believes Quebec separation will not be the main issue in the by-elections.

Voters in the ridings—Terrebonne, Temiscamingue, Verdun, Langeller and Louis Hebert—are more concerned with the province's 10-per-cent unemployment rate, high prices and regional economic problems, he said.

The by-elections are expected to be held in the spring. Clark said he will run a "face-to-face, door-to-door" personal campaign in all five ridings.

The Conservatives face

problems in all the ridings, Clark said. Four were held previously by Liberals and the fifth, Temiscamingue, was held for years by Social Credit leader Reul Caouette who died Dec. 16.

"Each one is difficult, but each one is possible for us to win," he said.

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Retired sniffer noses out lost surveyor

MIAMI (UPI) — Trepper, the retired marijuana sniffer, was called out of retirement, at the ripe old canine age of 9, to find a lost surveyor on Grand Cayman island.

On Thursday, Trepper, a golden retriever retired from the Dade County public safety department's canine unit, left Velvet Acres Ranches and boarded a jet for Grand Cayman island at the request of its prime minister, Dennis Foster.

Alfredo Connally, 32, an American surveyor, had been missing in a jungle area of Grand Cayman for six days. Three hundred searchers had been unable to find him.

Prime Minister Foster had heard of Trepper's ability to sniff out two marijuana seeds wrapped in plastic. He called

Tom Kazo, a former detective on the staff of the Dade County public safety department organized crime bureau, who operates the 45-dog training ranch where Trepper now resides.

Trepper and his four-footed Dr. Watson, who answers to the name of "Baron," arrived at Grand Cayman at mid-afternoon and went right to work.

First they donned rubber boots to protect their feet from the sharp coral surface of the island.

Then they sniffed the swim trunks Connally had worn the day before he vanished.

Then a sniff into the 22-mile-an-hour breeze and it was "Quick, Baron, the game's afoot," or words to that effect.

Forty-one minutes after they started, Trepper and Baron found Connally, four and one-half miles from the nearest road, dehydrated, disoriented and suffering from exposure but otherwise unharmed.

Connally, who had been vi-

siting at his father's home on the island for about two months, had taken a wrong turn while coming home for lunch last week.

Trepper and Baron didn't follow Connally's trail, Kazo explained.

"There is a difference between a tracking dog and an

air scenting dog. It's more like a radar pickup.

"We don't find where he is," said Kazo.

An 'unusual concentration' noted in rabies from bats

ATLANTA, Ga. (AP) — An unusual, but not alarming, concentration of rabies in northeastern United States, the national Centre for Disease Control says.

Researchers say they do not know whether this reflects an actual increase in the disease or a greater public awareness of the problem.

Bats are native throughout the United States and rabies among them generally has been evenly distributed.

However, last July, August and September rabies in bats showed a marked increase in the northeastern region.

Dr. Everette Baker, a veter-

inary epidemiologist at the CDC said the CDC has no reports on the number of humans treated for rabies last year, but in 1975 about 30,000 suspected cases were treated.

Since 1970, only one of 13 rabies victims has survived. Of these, four had been bitten by bats.

The only fatality caused by rabies from bats last year involved a 55-year-old woman in northeastern Maryland bitten on a finger as she brushed a bat from her apron.

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Ontario promises 'No sales pitches' to Quebec firms

MONTREAL (CP) — Claude Bennett, Ontario industry and tourism minister says his government will attempt to attract a Quebec industry only after it learns the industry is considering moving to the United States.

Appearing on the CBC television program Decision, Bennett said it was not in the national interest for Ontario to actively try to convince Quebec industries to move.

While such action would strengthen Ontario's industrial base for a short period of time, Bennett said it would ultimately weaken Quebec's base.

He said the people of Ontario "have nothing to gain economically for our province or for our country if we decide to go in, and because of some discontent that could prevail or exist in the province of Quebec, to try to bring those industries out of this province and into the province of Ontario."

However, Bennett said his government has decided it was prepared to supply any information requested by Quebec industries considering moving to Ontario.

"We will not pursue them, we will not beg them to come to the province of Ontario," Bennett said.

If the company asks for information a second time, it would be provided. But he said "if a third approach is made, then it's very obvious to us that there is a real, real desire to come."

"If in that interval of time we find that the company we've been dealing with from

the province of Quebec is now looking south of the border, south of Canada, my attitude has to change somewhat," the minister said.

"Then I feel we're in a real competitive position, we must then move in and show what we have in Ontario that will equal or better what they're looking for south of the border," Bennett added.

Also on the program was Quebec Industry Minister Rodrigue Tremblay, who said he did not have the impression that significant amount of capital were flowing to Ontario from Quebec.

"We see a lot of firms planning investments in Quebec, and a lot of firms from outside planning investment in Quebec," the industry minister said.

While there may be some businessmen "looking around," Tremblay said this was sometimes for good business reasons.

"Any enterprise is in a dynamic situation and wants to reinforce its competitive base," he said, adding that some Quebec companies may decide to move for economic reasons.

"If they move for non-economic reasons, then they will suffer the rule of the market," he said. "They cannot move into a very competitive market like Ontario and take over a stronghold there."

"I'm not very worried as an economist by talk and statements that businessmen make," said the former director of the University of Montreal economics department.

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Union votes to resist curbs

New U.K. pay fight looms

LONDON (Reuter) — The leadership of 400,000 skilled workers have voted overwhelmingly to resist further pay curbs as part of the British government's two-year wage restraint policy.

The 23-to-1 vote by the executive council of the Association of Scientific, Technical and Managerial Staffs added pressure for a return to unrestricted wage bargaining. Two groups of autoworkers said recently they would oppose further restrictions on

bargaining for better pay. ASTMS spokesmen said the government's wage restraint policy had eroded their pay differentials in favor of unskilled workers. Union leader Clive Jenkins told reporters he was urging

his members to prepare claims for the end of the current pay agreement this summer. The ASTMS executive meeting called for a special meeting of the Trades Union Congress to discuss the position.

Bargaining between trade union leaders and the Labor government to reach a voluntary wage agreement for a third year has already begun. Economists warn that a return to group bargaining by trades unions might provoke a wage explosion and a new surge of inflation.

Industry Minister Eric Varley told British Leyland autoworkers that although the government wanted an orderly return to what is called free collective bargaining, "nobody wants to get back to confetti money."

New energy costly

WASHINGTON (UPI) — The U.S. may have to spend up to \$66 billion developing new energy sources over the next decade, and it will suffer hardships under any conceivable energy policy, the congressional budget office says.

U.S. needs \$66 billion

Given present energy priorities, or even with some important changes, each alternative is expensive," the office said in a report on the potential for developing various energy sources into commercial use.

"The outlays over a decade would range from \$44 billion to \$66 billion."

A second report, covering broad policy choices, said, "There are inherent conflicts among desirable energy policy goals and among the various policies designed to support them."

"These conflicts can be minimized to some extent by new technologies and by other policy mechanisms, but they cannot be eliminated altogether."

It said the day of the cheap energy "on which Americans have predicated a lifestyle and workstyle" is over and is not likely to return.

The energy "packages" the nation may choose from, it said, range from keeping the present trends, to protecting the environment, to holding prices down, to freeing the market from price controls. Each has drawbacks.

"Both the highest level of energy demand and the highest level of imports in 1986 would result from the energy policy package emphasizing low costs to consumers," it said.

"Low regulated energy prices would encourage high consumption and at the same time provide relatively little incentive for producers to expand output."

The other extreme, it said, was to hold down imports as much as possible, but that would lead to the lowest demand and the highest prices, presuming a tariff were imposed.

"This package would also offer strong incentives for producers to expand production and thereby limit the demand for imports," it said.

Freeing prices will not change expected demand much, it said, but would stimulate more domestic production.

The "environmental package" would cut both domestic production and domestic demand, with possible increases in imports, it said.

Sprinkling water blesses firemen

FOREST PARK, Okla. (UPI) — A Catholic abbot braved a brisk, chilly north wind to bless and sprinkle holy water on the town's fire truck and volunteer firemen, including two monks who moonlight as firefighters.

Abbot George Burke, of the Old Catholic Church, prayed that the firemen and the townspeople "be protected in all danger of fire by the aid of every spiritual and technical force."

"Thank you so much for the town," Mayor Roger Abbott said at the conclusion of the brief ceremony. "I know we'll all feel more secure in our possessions now."

The two firemen, Brother Menas and Brother John, had requested the fire truck receive the blessing normally

bestowed on equipment used at their monastery across the street from the fire station. The fire chief asked that the blessing be expanded to other equipment, the station and the volunteers.

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Rainer Miedel has just brought his wife, Cordelia, and their 10-year-old son, Florian, to Seattle.

"I got my wife and son out," he said. "It was more than tough."

"Because of highly explosive political reasons, I can't talk about it. It's too dangerous."

The 35-year-old conductor made the necessary arrangements while he was in West Germany on a guest-conducting tour.

Miedel joined the symphony as music director and conductor last July 1. Associates thought he was single.

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Seattle Symphony officials said Miedel's wife had been active as a solo cellist in East Germany.

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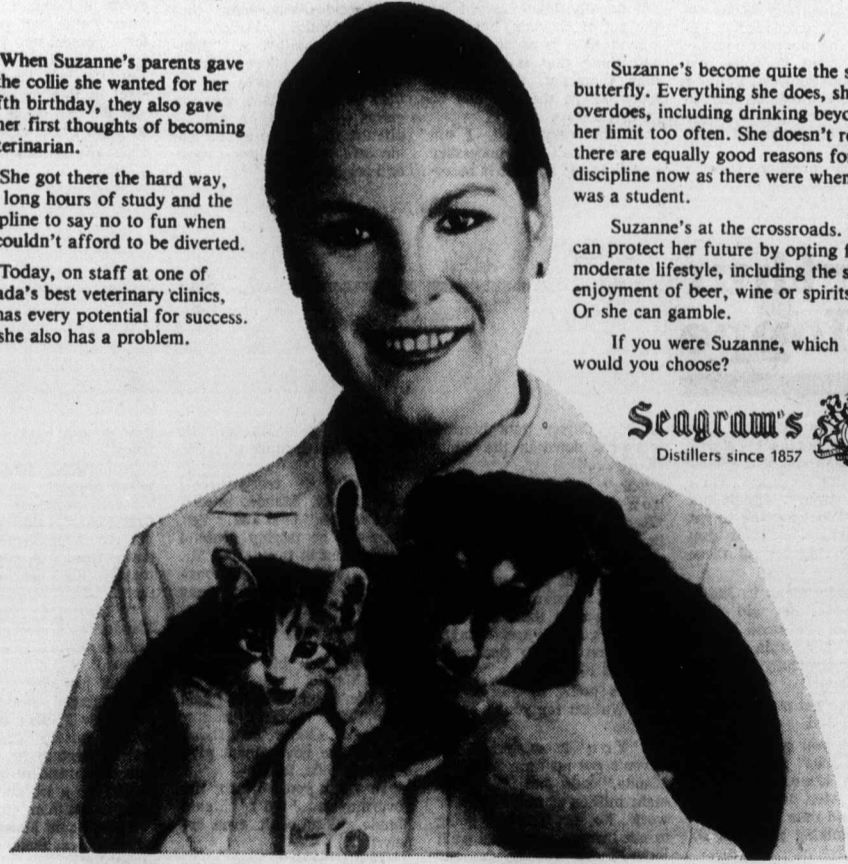
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One plant which has endeared itself to my family is *Jasminum nudiflorum*, the winter-flowering jasmine. Even though that beast of a winter in 1968-69, our wall-trained shrub kept popping out its cheerful golden blossoms intermittently, sometimes even when the ground was covered with snow and the soil was as hard as a rock. I cannot understand why so many local gardeners are still without this charming Chinese plant.

The blossoms are borne on bare, leafless stems — hence its specific name, *nudiflorum* — from November through to early March, and although the support and shelter of a house wall is an advantage, there is no reason why it shouldn't be grown right out in the open, like any other shrub. It will transform dull doorways, walls, sheds, garages and old stumps into a cheerful picture throughout the gloomiest winter months.

It seems to me, too, that far more use could be made of the winter jasmine as a cut flower for the house. Sprays from the shrub last quite a long time in water, particularly when picked in the bud.

It is true that the leafless stems look a bit stark when arranged without company in a vase or bowl, but when mixed with small-leaved evergreen sprays of some kind, or even trails of English ivy, it makes a most satisfying arrangement. Two well-grown shrubs of winter jasmine will provide enough flowering shoots to keep the house supplied all winter.

There is no difficulty at all in growing *Jasminum nudiflorum*; it will thrive in almost any kind of soil although it has some preference for a sandy loam, well drained, with perhaps a little peat added. It is a loose-growing shrub and needs support only for its leading shoots.

On a wall or fence, these can be tied in as required, allowing complete freedom to the rest of the plant. Any pruning or shaping that may be needed to maintain shapeliness is best done in March, just after the blossoms are finished.

The shrub is just so easy to start that one wonders why there are so many ugly bare walls and unsightly garages around town. Any tips of branches that touch the ground will root themselves, like blackberries, to make new plants. One easy way to propagate is to bend down a low-growing branch until its middle portion touches the ground. Then bang a big stone or a heavy brick on it to hold it in close contact; in no time at all it will have put forth roots at the point of contact.

My own specimen came from a tiny twig, snatched quite illegally during a Sunday afternoon stroll from a bunch which was overhanging a front fence. Carried home rolled up in my handkerchief, the twig was pushed into the ground with a jam jar over it, where it rooted itself and began to grow without any further attention on my part. That little twig is now three full-grown shrubs, two growing on walks and one in the open in our shrub border.

A few years ago, while visiting an elderly lady's garden, I came across a plant I hadn't seen since I was a small boy. It was the golden *Lonicera inodora*, one of the "everlasting" flowers, not very well known but by no means a rarity. I sent away for seeds and I have grown it now for three years, which makes me the white-haired boy with all the flower-arranging enthusiasts in our neighbourhood.

The flower looks a little like an Achillea, growing about a foot tall with a mass of flat-topped heads in a rich golden color. The blooms can be used as fresh cut flowers, although I think they are even more appreciated when dried and treated as everlasting for use in winter arrangements. Incidentally, *Lonicera* makes quite an attractive potted plant, too.

I have my share of garden pests, and last summer the aphids reached almost epidemic proportions, but even at the height of the infestation, I never saw as much as one single aphid on the *Lonicera*.

To the best of my knowledge, the only Canadian catalogue offering seeds of *Lonicera* is T and T Seeds, Box 1710, Winnipeg, Man., R3C 3P6, where it is listed on page 20 under the name African Daisy.

The Victoria Horticultural Society is conducting a demonstration of fruit tree pruning tomorrow, Feb. 16, 2 p.m. at the home of Lt. Cdr. R. Newstead, 3928 Hobbs. The public is invited to attend.

Art Buchwald

WASHINGTON — In all the fuss about the gas shortage no one has mentioned the gas man. When I say the gas man, I mean the fellow who comes to your house in a nice uniform and goes down into your cellar to read your gas meter.

For years no one has paid any attention to him. He would ring your doorbell and yell: "Gas man to read your meter!" and you'd let him in and he would disappear downstairs for five minutes, come up again and you'd shout at him rudely, "Shut the door when you leave!"

But now he has become the most important person in the lives of many of us.

Just the other day we were all eating dinner when the doorbell rang. My son answered the ring and came into the dining room, his face white. "It's the gas man. He wants to read your meter."

"Oh lord," my wife said. "How did he ever find us?"

"Be calm, everybody," I warned. "Pretend nothing has happened. Ask him to come into the dining room."

The gas man came into the dining room carrying his clipboard.

"Where's the meter?" he asked.

"Would you like to have dinner?" I asked in what I hoped was a hearty voice.

"Nope. I've been offered dinner in every house I've been to tonight. I'm stuffed. Just tell me where the basement door is and I'll be out of here."

"You don't want to go down into the basement," my wife said.

"It's so messy. We'll tell you anything you want to know."

"I have to check your meter," he said.

"I checked it yesterday," I assured him. "It's working fine."

"I have to read it."

"I'll send my son down to read it," I said. "He's great at reading gas meters. Here, have a glass of wine."

"I'm sorry. But I have to read it myself. It will only take a minute."

"Do you have a search warrant?"

He looked surprised. "I don't need a search warrant to read your meter."

"I think you had better check the Constitution. You can't just barge into somebody's house and look at his gas meter," she said.

"Well, if you feel that way, we'll just shut off your gas," he replied.

"It's all right, Mother. The man has not come to do us harm," I said. "I'm sure he won't take advantage of a family that is probably eating its last meal unless our food stamps come through."

"Could you please direct me to the basement?"

I took him to the door and opened it. Then I said: "Be gentle with us. Be good to us."

"Where have I heard that before?" the gas man asked.

Barbara Walters said it to President Carter on her show," I said.

"Oh yeah," he chuckled, and he went downstairs.

The family all waited in the kitchen.

"Why is he taking so long?"

My wife asked nervously, as she twisted the dish towel.

I put my arm around her. "It's all right, dear. The man is only doing his job."

"What kind of person would sneak into somebody's home and inform on them as to how much gas they had used?" she said.

"Hush, he'll hear you and add a couple of hundred cubic feet just for spite."

"I can take him, Dad," my son said. "Let me use karate on him."

"Will you all shut up? He's got us over a barrel. Gas meters never lie."

The man came up whistling. "Give it to us straight," I said. "We can take it."

"You used 87,900 cubic feet of gas this month," he said. My wife almost collapsed.

I blanched. "Does the gas company have to know?"

"Yep," he replied, writing on his clipboard. "I'll see you next month," he said cheerfully.

My wife gazed at him. "I just pray your mother never finds out what you do for a living."

Sydney Harris

Some readers ask interesting questions in their letters, which deserve to be answered to a wider audience than one. For instance, a reader in Oregon inquires why I have never written about the recent rush toward "self-discovery" and "self-expression" movements, such as Est and the various Eastern disciplines so popular today.

I have not done so for a very good reason. One cannot write meaningfully about subjective or Transcendental Meditation, for instance, unless one has tried it, fully and fairly. Some subjects, by their very nature, must be investigated from the inside before they can be evaluated from the outside.

The real problem here is that even the self-deceptive or fraudulent programs exercise an hypnotic influence as long as you stay on the inside.

Another reader, in Florida, wants to know if I have changed my mind on any important subject in the last year or so. Yes, I am swinging toward a far more conservative position on the subject of abortion than I formerly had.

"Murder" may be a strong, emotionally loaded word for the act of abortion, but I am convinced it is a "killing" of something that is more human than not, and I don't know where the line can be justly drawn.

At the very least, I am forced to call it a necessary evil — if and when it is necessary at all. But I also think that legislation making it a crime is a bad remedy; as Aquinas warned, not everything that is morally evil should be legally prohibited.

One of the things that changed my mind, by the way, is a moving essay by Dr. Richard Selzer, a surgeon at Yale Medical Centre, in his new book, *Mortal Lessons: Notes on the Art of Surgery*.

A reader in Iowa makes the semi-serious suggestion that a presidential election no longer be called a "mandate," but a "personate," since both sexes have contributed to it. This is a common error — serious or not — often made by those who are innocent of language roots and origins.

"Man" in the word "mandate" does not refer to the male species. The prefix comes from "manual" (the same root as "manual") and refers to a showing of hands for preference. No gender is involved, nor is it in many other words that seem to be male-dominated — manage, manhandle, manoeuvre, manipulate and so forth.

This mistake could not occur in German, which has *Mann* for a man, and *Mensch* for a person, and the two are quite clearly distinguished. Unfortunately, English is deficient in this regard, and the best we can do is to capitalize *Man* when we are talking about the species and not the gender.

Arthur Hoppe

"Good news, Maude," Jud Joad called out as he slowly climbed the steps of the ramshackle cabin down the road a piece from Appalachia. "You're going to get them gingham curtains you been hankering for all these years."

"You really mean it, Jud?" cried Maude, her old eyes aspartle as she stood in the doorway, her thin hands clasped prayerfully to her chest. "When?"

"Soon as I get my very first pay," said Jud.

"Oh, Jud, you gone and got yourself a job!" said Maude. "I always knew you would, sooner or later. Is it driving truck for old man Watson like you been talking about for so long?"

"Well, I ain't exactly got it yet," admitted Jud. "But soon as Mr. Carter gets himself hunkered down in the White House..."

"Oh," said Maude. Her bony shoulders sagged. "Reckon I better get to fixing them collard greens for supper."

"Now, hold on," said Jud, annoyed. "I heard it all on the radio down to the store. Mr. Carter's going to spend maybe \$30 billion just to find work for folks like me."

"He's going to talk to old man Watson for you?" asked Maude.

"You know presidents haven't got no time for that, Maude," said Jud, "not with eight million of us looking for work. No, sir, first he's going to cut income taxes so we'll have more money in our pockets."

"That sure would be right

fine, Jud," said Maude, "if'n we had any income to speak of."

"Stands to reason we'll have plenty, Maude, once I get that job," said Jud. "Yes, sir, we'll be mighty grateful for that cut in taxes. And Mr. Carter, he's going to cut business taxes, too, so's old man Watson will have more money in the till. Then he'll want to hire me."

"To guard his money?" asked Maude.

"I don't rightly know," said Jud. "But it don't matter 'cause Mr. Carter, he's fixing to have the government give out more jobs, too."

"How can you work for the government, Jud?" said Maude. "You can't even typewrite."

"That's true," said Jud, frowning. Then he brightened. "Maybe he's going to find us government jobs driving truck."

"All eight million of you?" asked Maude.

"Well, what he'd like to be the first year," said Jud. "Do you get the unemployment figure down from 7.9 per cent to maybe 6.9 per cent and then..."

"What I'd like," said Maude, "is a nice piece of fat back to go with them collard greens."

"You just don't understand these things," said Jud. "Do you know I can't recollect a single solitary time when I was so certain in my bones that the president was going to find me a job and you was going to get them curtains."

"I can," said Maude.

"When was that, old gal?" asked Jud.

Maude sighed. "Every four years, Jud," she said.

French film-maker turns to English black comedy

By DAVID STERRITT
The Christian Science Monitor

"Surely the facts are not in dispute!" is the first sentence spoken in Alain Resnais's new film, *Provvidence*, in which all the facts are in dispute. At least for the first hour or so.

Provvidence is no sit-back-and-relax Saturday-night movie. Its erratic "Plot" requires plenty of attention as fantasies shift and merge, characters' voices occasionally pop out of other characters' mouths, and one on-screen figure feels compelled to explain the action to another.

Those who enjoyed the gripping perplexities of earlier Resnais triumphs — *Hiroshima Mon Amour*, *Last Year at Marienbad*, *Muriel* — will relish this first English-language effort of the famed French filmmaker, which returns to the enormous visual complexity that has seemed formant in his more recent work. Fans of Dirk Bogarde, David Warner, and John Gielgud will also have much to admire among the all-star cast, though Ellen Burstyn doesn't quite bring off the early contradictions of her role.

Provvidence is not for the squeamish or the squirmish. Nor does it find the visual consistency it needs to unify its moods and meanings, despite the precision of Resnais's direction, which ranges from a "Citizen Kane" type of



DAVID WARNER with Ellen Burstyn, John Gielgud and Dirk Bogarde in a concluding scene from movie *Provvidence*.

ded by the goings-on. But you're not likely to be indifferent to *Provvidence*, which stands as either the blackest comedy or the most sardonic tragedy in recent memory.

Gielgud plays the pivotal character, an aging novelist with a host of ailments having a bad night. Between ingestions of depressants and bouts of self-pity, he struggles with fantasies of his family — dreams? hallucinations? visions? — and searches feverishly for plots and stories to frame and contain his memories and impressions.

These enigmatic yet melodramatic musings are the movie's bulk, punctuated by bursts of blathering verbal obscenity and brief yet intentionally shocking images.

The whole situation would be too grim for comfort were it not for the antic ironies peppered through Resnais's direction and David Mercer's screenplay. It's a far cry from Mercer's *Morgan* (one of Warner's major films), but you can't escape the leavening humor of Miklos Rozsa's intentionally bombastic music, or the recurring image of a silly football player, or even the odd references to (of all things) werewolves.

Such foibles prepare us for the movie's last portion, when daylight gorgeously breaks, Gielgud's novelist takes hold of himself, and a friendly (if not quite convincing) family picnic relieves much of the gloom and vulgarity and provides the setting for some fairly hopeful reflections on the meaning of it all.

pastiche to pure art-film individualism. If you seek a challenging evening at the movies, though, it will provide plenty of grit for the eyes and the mind.

Things clear up a bit during the last third of the movie, when the mood also brightens and becomes more optimistic — relatively speaking, since dominated by ruminations on misery and intimations of morality.

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Esquimalt bylaw to curb signs

Esquimalt residents needn't fear any proliferation of billboards in the municipality, thanks to a sign bylaw introduced Monday in council.

The bylaw, which remained at the planning and committee stage for more than a year, prohibits projecting,

flashing, moving and roof signs along with billboards.

Unlike a similar bylaw enacted two years ago in Victoria, the Esquimalt bylaw

places no time limit on the removal of existing non-conforming signs.

"As these signs become obsolete, they won't be allowed

to be replaced," said municipal engineer M. H. Campbell, who added that the number of non-conforming signs was already low.

In other business, council approved a public works committee recommendation that \$20,000 be allocated in the 1977 budget to continue the upgrading of the storm drain along Old Esquimalt Road. Already one-third of the stretch from Dominion Road west to Lamson has been upgraded in the three-year project.

On Ald. Ken Hill's urging, council agreed to ask its advisory planning commission to come up with possible guidelines to keep older, single-family-home neighborhoods from being completely over-run with duplex developments.

In what Mayor Art Young termed "a sort of motherhood resolution," council adopted a recommendation from its public works committee appealing to senior governments to have more work placed in West Coast shipyards to create more employment in Esquimalt.

Library plan eyed cautiously

By HUBERT BEYER
Colonist Reporter

Greater Victoria Public Library director Donald Miller is receiving the news of a possible new central library with a mixture of caution and elation.

Miller has preached the need for a new central library with determination and optimism, but he's not about to accept something without first knowing the details.

Miller says the library board must be consulted before any firm plans are made for a new downtown library building.

He was responding Monday to statements last week by Recreation and Conservation Minister Sam Bawlf and Victoria Mayor Michael Young with regard to a possible site for a new library building to replace the existing one at

Yates and Blanshard.

From remarks made by both men, it appears the provincial government may build the badly-needed library facilities on a site at Blanshard and Courtney.

The site is now under construction. The lower level will provide downtown parking and plans originally called for construction of an office building for the government.

However, there is an oversupply of office space in Victoria which, coupled with the government's policy of financial restraint has reduced chances for completion of the office complex.

Enter the Greater Victoria Public Library whose downtown facilities are outmoded and cramped. The need for a new building has been obvious for years, but prospects were bad because of the cost involved.

The availability of the Blanshard and Courtney site may give the library an opportunity to get new facilities by default.

Tentative plans appear to call for construction of the library building by the government which would then lease the facilities to the library.

Both Young and Bawlf stress that no details have been worked out; in fact, both say that the plan itself is still very tentative, but they are optimistic.

So is Miller, but before endorsing any scheme without reservation, he wants to know more about it.

Miller also said a library was "a highly specialized building" and nobody knew whether the government's plans would be flexible enough.

One thing, however, gave Miller hope:

"Tentative plans must be attractive, or the mayor wouldn't be interested," he said, referring to the fact that the city of Victoria finances just under 40 per cent of the library's annual budget, with Saanich paying a little more than 40 per cent and Esquimalt and Oak Bay footing the rest of the bill.

Bawlf was confident that the project would go ahead. He said last week that the library would have a new building within two years, but at that time he didn't say which site was under consideration.

Save smell or work decision on sewage

Given a choice between an unpleasant smell affecting residents and an unpleasant task performed by regional employees, Capital Region Board engineer Norman Howard would rather get rid of the work.

"Smells are only important to the people who live where they can smell it," Howard told the board's public works committee during budget debate Monday.

Committee members were discussing the respective merits of placing mechanical rakes at Marigold and Macaulay sewage pump stations to remove screen-clogging solids from the system, or odor control.

At present, screens in the plants have to be raked daily by employees. Installation of mechanical rakers would free these employees from an un-

pleasant task for other work, leading to future budget savings.

Howard said there had been complaints about the smell of sewage pump stations around both Marigold and Macaulay.

The committee finally decided to split the difference.

The Marigold pump station will remain in its present state, and the committee cut \$80,800 from the proposed budget in making that decision.

But it was decided to leave \$3,000 to put in both pieces of equipment at Macaulay.

That may go, however, at future sessions on the budget as the committee instructed the staff to come up with a further \$50,000 worth of cuts out of the trunk sewer and sewage disposal budget.

Executive director Dennis Young said that might be easier said than done.

The 1977 projected budget, he agreed, had increased, but a good deal of that would cover Pollution Control Branch requirements, or new projects to be in operation in the coming year.

After a three-hour session, the committee had chopped \$87,400 out of a proposed budget of \$677,000, and left instructions for the additional \$50,000 to come out.

On Thursday they will be back for an anticipated four-hour session on other sections of the proposed public works budget.

67,487 blossoms just the start

At 8:30 a.m. Monday, the first dozen yellow pansies were reported to Flower Count headquarters.

By 2:45 p.m., the number of flowers in bloom in Greater Victoria had swelled to 67,487, and the second annual flower count was well on its way.

Meanwhile, Easterners were still digging out of mountains of snow, wondering what hit them this winter, which, of course, is part of the reason for counting flowers in Victoria this week.

Let there be no doubt as to where spring makes its debut. Follow the birds to Victoria, and the flowers.

Largest single total reported Monday was 20,000 flowers. The woman answering the phone at flower count headquarters said the person reporting that large number had "a huge bed of snowdrops" in the yard.

Others reported 3,600 crocuses, several hundred pansies, and varying numbers of all sorts of flowers.

Phone numbers at flower count are 283-3111, 382-3112 and 382-3113. The lines are operated by Victoria radio station employees from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. until Friday this week.

Good form or tax at issue?

"Thousands and thousands" of business forms are being bought from an Alberta firm by the B.C. government through its economic development ministry, Dennis Cocke (NDP—New Westminster) told the Legislature Monday.

Cocke rose during the sixth successive day of examination of the estimates of minister Donald Phillips to say the printing was being done for the labor ministry by Lawson Business Forms Alberta Ltd.

"Are they saving the sales tax?" he said, adding the minister should have ensured the work went to B.C. firms.

Inquest off for month

The coroners inquest in a double fatality last Thursday in Colwood was adjourned Monday night until March 14.

After hearing medical evidence, Coroner Edmond Jorre de St. Jorre adjourned the inquest to allow Colwood RCMP to complete investigation in the traffic deaths of cab driver Gregory William McLean, of 211 Mary, and his passenger Gustav Nicolaus Becker, 58, of 2110 Millstream.

The two car accident occurred at the intersection of the Trans-Canada Highway and Millstream.

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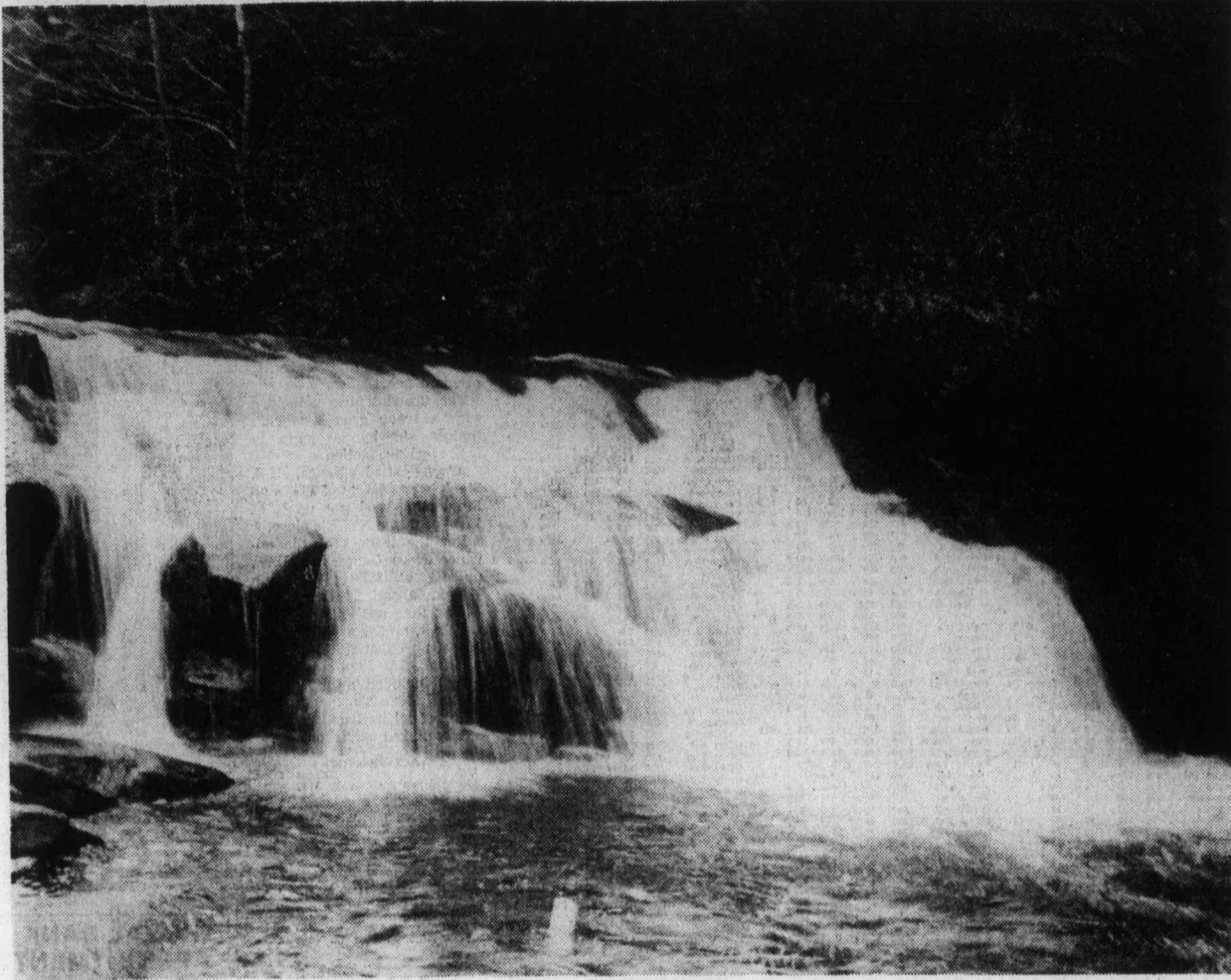
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Hub City attraction

Vancouver Island abounds with beautiful scenery, and this unusually-mild winter has made it possible for everyone to enjoy the Island through the oft-dreary months. This beautiful waterfall is part of

Millstream River in Nanaimo and is also known as the Bowen Park Falls, one of more popular spots in the Hub City.

Rezoning battle

Cowichan Bay may see new proposal

By CRAIG MEREDITH
 Colonist Correspondent

NORTH COWICHAN — Island Shake and Shingle Limited, which proposed a mill and log haulout in Cowichan Bay, has said it will withdraw its building permit and trade licence application so council can bring in a rezoning amendment to cover all of the municipality's estuary land.

President of the Lake Cowichan-based company, Bert Rodenbush, told the Colonist after submitting his proposal in writing Monday morning to the municipal administration that council now has an opportunity to show it was not discriminating against the firm's development.

"Our position is that the present zoning bylaw amendment is being aimed at our particular property and is discriminating."

"Council says this is not so. We are willing to give them an opportunity to introduce a wide sweeping rezoning amendment to cover all the municipality's estuary lands," Rodenbush stated.

When the shake-and-shingle company applied for its building permit and trades licence on Nov. 29, the seven-acre parcel adjacent to Doman's new mill was zoned for forestry-related uses.

The North Cowichan council learned of the company's plans prior to that date and had already begun proceedings to rezone the property along with part of the Doman mill site.

Under Section 707 of the Municipal Act, council can withhold the issuance of a building permit for a total of 90 days if in its opinion the proposed use would be in conflict with the new zoning.

Rodenbush said in his letter prepared by his solicitor Monday, that various members of council have suggested that they would like to rezone all the municipality's property in Cowichan Bay to non-indus-

trial use, in order to stop further expansion.

"But because of the 90-day limitation, they have said they wouldn't have time to do this and still withhold our building permit."

"We agree to withdraw our permits, if they agree to start proceedings to rezone the whole area at this time," the Island Shake and Shingle spokesman said.

The only condition for the withdrawal, Rodenbush added, was that once the new rezoning amendment was introduced, the company will then be allowed to reapply for a building permit and trades licence once again.

Asked by the Colonist what he hoped to gain from this last-minute maneuver to stop the present proposed zoning amendment, Rodenbush said he was attempting to establish council's intent and also see if a further study could be conducted on the estuary.

"We would like to see if a federal or provincial body

would conduct an independent study on our proposal.

"We still feel our development is not going to have any environmental damage. Council so far hasn't acted on fact in rezoning our property, but on emotion," he said.

The rezoning of the Island Shake and Shingle property has been given three readings by council and it was expected to come before council Wednesday for final adoption. A municipal official said he expected that the Island Shake and Shingle proposal would be discussed at that time.

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Lakes Road property

Exclusion of agricultural parcel supported by North Cowichan

Colonist Correspondent

DUNCAN — An appeal by the North Cowichan municipality to have a 65-acre parcel owned by Timbercrest Estates Limited removed from the agricultural land reserve, has been tabled until the next meeting of the Cowichan Valley Region Board.

Alternate North Cowichan regional director, Alderman Ron McKinnon, asked the board members to table their decision on the appeal until the municipality has had an opportunity to study its recently-received proposed community plan.

In its recommendation to the board on the Timbercrest property, the regional planning committee reaffirmed an earlier decision asking that the application be denied be-

cause of the land's soil capabilities.

Last September after a number of appeals by Timbercrest Estates to the land commission failed, chairman Gary Runka informed the municipality it could approach the cabinet directly for exclusion of the property if it supported the appeal.

Except for North Cowichan Alderman Birgitte Meagher, the rest of council has previously supported the development of the last phase of Lakes Road property, because it claims the municipality has a heavy investment in servicing the initial phase.

An appeal for exclusion from the land reserve was made to the provincial cabinet by the municipality in late September.

Because the regional board is being again asked to reconsider the earlier decision against removal, it is speculated the cabinet is just now acting upon the municipality's appeal.

North Cowichan Alderman, Ron McKinnon, who is the municipality's planning committee chairman, told the Colonist that council only received the Southend community plan last week from con-

sultants, Ker, Priestman and Associates.

He said, he hadn't seen the proposed plan when he asked the regional board to table its decision.

This proposed plan for the municipality's Southend is the

second one prepared by the consultants in two years.

The first proposal was rejected by residents.

McKinnon said it was council's wish to have the revised plan before the residents by the end of March.

Green light given

By DAVE FINLAYSON
 Colonist Correspondent

NANAIMO — Health Minister Bob McLelland has given the go-ahead for a \$2.25 million expansion program at Nanaimo Regional Hospital.

The money will be used for 26 acute-care beds and enlargement of emergency, radiology, laboratory, medical records, doctors' lounge-library and business office area.

Hospital administrator Gordon Frith said McLelland had told the hospital board to submit a proposal for the purchase of 900 square feet of prefabricated accommodation to meet immediate space needs. The full project calls for a new north wing mainly designed for ambulatory patients.

Frith said the hospital preferred to concentrate on walk-in patients rather than supply a lot of new beds. In this way the hospital can care for more people at less cost, he said.

In fact, he said, the hospital hadn't applied for any new beds in the proposal, which was originally submitted to the government in 1975.

The 26 acute-care beds in the project are designed to meet the hospital's needs until 1981.

Frith said construction of the new wing would probably not begin until next year.

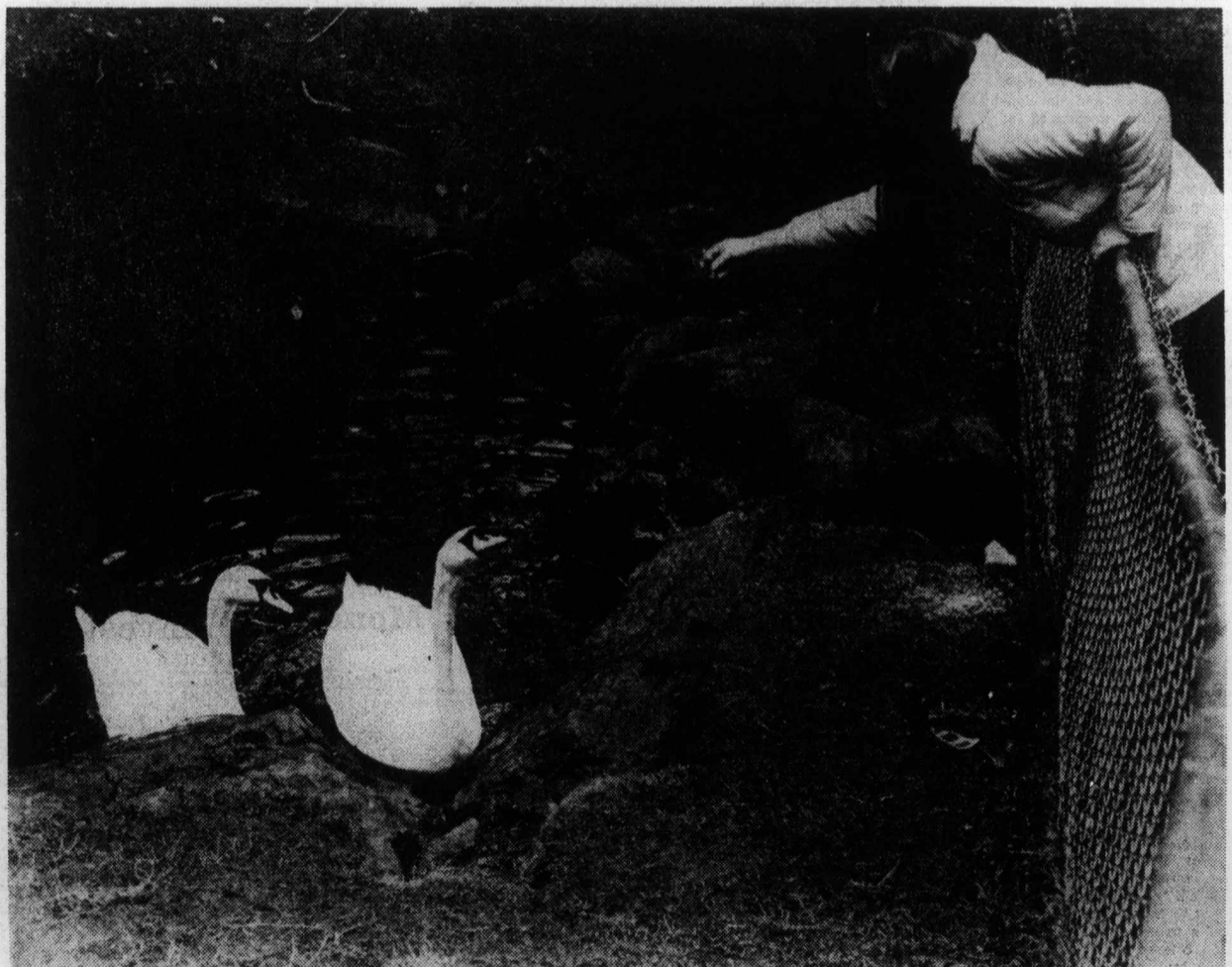
He said the announcement will bring a boost to the staff who have been finding the overcrowded conditions "wearing."



—Colonist Staff

High density

Like people, forests often become all choked up about nothing, and then growing up is not so easy. It is hoped thinning will relieve this particular problem, which cropped up in Sayward Forest north of Campbell River.



—Dave Finlayson photo

No way to treat a lady

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all kinds of goodies, just so you can see us beg. Well, us swans of Bowen Park have formed a committee for independence, and from now on you humans better watch it, or it's gonna be your swan song.



Up, up and away

Ninety-foot high hot air balloon drifts over western Brooklyn in New York Saturday en route to landing near Jamaica Bay. Pilot Sidney Cutter, 43, of Albuquerque, New Mexico, was given ticket for flying too low and for landing at other than an airfield.

New look promised

Smoke over cannabis still just drifting along

OTTAWA (CP) — Since the federal government promised to lighten penalties for possession of marijuana and hashish (cannabis) five years ago, close to 100,000 Canadians have been convicted of the offence under the Narcotics Control Act.

Between 1973 and 1975 nearly 3,000 people, most between the ages of 18 and 29, were imprisoned for simple possession of the drug.

A bill which would have abolished such sentences by moving jurisdiction over cannabis to the less harsh Food and Drug Act died on the Commons order paper nearly two years ago.

Last week Justice Minister Ron Basford promised that the cabinet would consider the situation again but a spokesman in his office said no decision had been made by cabinet.

He said legislation would be introduced soon but the exact date was "up in the air." The government would draw upon the previous cannabis bill when drafting new legislation.

Under the original bill, penalties for simple possession of marijuana and hashish and for small-time traffickers would have been softened, while giving courts more leeway to deal severely with organized dealers.

The maximum fine for first-time possession would have been \$500, with a fine of up to \$1,000 for subsequent offences.

Offenders not paying the fine could go to jail for up to six months.

Under the Narcotics Control Act, fines of up to \$2,000 and imprisonment for up to seven years can be imposed for possession. At present, most life-time offenders are fined between \$200 and \$300.

The federal government has admitted that lumping marijuana and hashish with drugs such as heroin under the Narcotics Control Act is inconsistent.

In 1974, when the legislation was first introduced to move marijuana and hashish under the Food and Drug Act, federal

Health Minister Marc Lalonde said the present law is "an ass and full of inconsistencies."

The stiff penalties date from the 1950s, when the Narcotics Control Act was drawn up as a deterrent to the opium and heroin trade. Marijuana, which wasn't a problem then, was thrown in almost as an afterthought.

In 1961 there were only 15 cannabis convictions in Canada, most of them involving visitors. Since then the conviction rate has exploded, topping 25,000 in 1975.

Seven years ago then health minister John Munro said that "if we find a significant minority of the Canadian people smoke marijuana we would be totally irresponsible if we didn't legalize it."

More than 1.5 million Canadians had smoked marijuana by 1972, according to the Royal Commission on the Non-Medical Use of Drugs, better known as the LedDain inquiry. Current estimates place the number as high as three million.

CINCINNATI (UPI) — Larry Flynt, declaring he has a "right" to publish Hustler magazine, says he "owes it to every American to stay in jail till hell freezes over before I compromise my freedom."

The 34-year-old publisher of the sex-oriented magazine has been in jail since his jury conviction last Tuesday on charges of pandering obscenity and engaging in organized crime.

The case prompted a nationwide outcry from civil liberties groups who see the conviction as a threat to "free expression."

Flynt was sentenced to seven to 25 years in prison and immediately sent to jail without bond. His attorneys so far have been unable to get bail set.

"I owe it to every American to stay in this jail till hell freezes over before I compromise my freedom," Flynt said in an interview at the Hamilton County jail, "I can't compromise the basic principles of the first amendment embodies.

"There's nothing in the world like standing up for the principles that this country was founded on. What more can one man do for his country?"

At a bail hearing Wednesday, a judge asked Flynt's attorney if he would stop distributing Hustler in Hamilton County as a condition of bail.

Flynt answered a resounding "no" Friday.

Publisher in like Flynt 'till hell freezes over'

Bread-and-butter issues

TORIES outline Quebec platform

MONTREAL (CP) — The Progressive Conservative party will fight federal by-election campaigns in five Quebec ridings on bread-and-butter issues, Opposition leader Joe Clark said Saturday.

Clark in Montreal for campaign-strategy meetings with provincial party organizers, said he believes Quebec separation will not be the main issue in the by-elections.

Voters in the ridings—Terrebonne, Temiscamingue, Verdun, Langlois and Louis Hebert—are more concerned with the province's 10-per cent unemployment rate, high prices and regional economic problems, he said.

The by-elections are expected to be held in the spring.

Clark said he will run a "face-to-face, door-to-door" personal campaign in all five ridings.

The Conservatives face problems in all the ridings, Clark said. Four were held previously by Liberals and the fifth, Temiscamingue, was held for years by Social Credit leader Real Caouette who died Dec. 15.

"Each one is difficult, but each one is possible for us to win," he said.

Split 'would destroy Canada'

By BRUCE LEVEIT
LONDON (CP) — The Economist, a highly-respected weekly magazine of news and opinion, sees Canada as a country "threatened by a possible economic and political breach that could—and almost certainly would—destroy it."

In a survey taking up more than 50 pages in its Feb. 12 edition, The Economist analyzes the rise of the Parti Quebecois under Premier Rene Levesque and says:

"It is really inconceivable that Canada could survive as three chunks, instead of a broadly-interdependent system of 11 federal and provincial governments.

"Or that a French nation in Quebec would bring greater ethnic independence and economic advancement to the large French-Canadian populations in New Brunswick, Nova Scotia or Manitoba.

"Can Quebec really survive, without untold damage to itself and to Canada, as part of a free trade area or Canadian common market? There can be only one answer."

Ronald Bird, whose last Canadian survey appeared in

The Economist five years ago, contrasts Levesque and Prime Minister Trudeau.

Of Levesque, he says: "Mr. Levesque and his colleagues are not ardent nationalists or anti-capitalists. His team conceivably represents the best in ability that has ever been installed in provincial government throughout Canada's history.

"He has earned more respect and gained fewer personal enemies than most other Canadian political thinkers in the past 15 years—a contradictory man to assess and a great human being, awkward but totally unevilsious."

Of Trudeau, he says: "His intelligence is unmatched among Canadian prime ministers with the possible exception of Louis St. Laurent.

"At his best, there is no more attractive figure on the Canadian political stage. At his worst, he provokes even worse in other people—an unhealthy blind faith of a national leader which has soured earlier hopes of national unity. Yet he can be humble, too, as he was after being re-elected by a gnat's whisker in 1972."

Bread-and-butter issues

Tories outline Quebec platform

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Cross-country tour

Prison violence probe over soon

VANCOUVER (CP) — A special Commons subcommittee into violence in federal prisons wraps up a cross-country tour here this week.

Thirteen incidents, including 10 hostage-takings, have taken place at British Columbia Penitentiary since Feb. 2, 1975.

It was a 1963 riot at the overcrowded B.C. Penitentiary that forced an extensive program of construction of medium and minimum security prisons, and some treatment centres.

After a series of hostage-takings that cost one life, a destructive riot last Sept. 27 that triggered others at Laval, a maximum-security prison near Montreal, and Millhaven, west of Kingston, Ont., the B.C. prisoners have once again forced a re-examination of the prison system.

The B.C. riot apparently was sparked by tighter security measures demanded by the union of prison guards. The riot ended without violence but the prisoners refused to release two hostages, saying they feared a massacre by guards, until RCMP were brought in.

A year before, guards had rushed three prisoners holding 14 hostages and killed one of the hostages, Mary Steinhauer, with gunfire.

Nobody had been injured in the settlement of more than 20 other hostage-taking incidents in the federal system since 1975 began.

The subcommittee has been told that while similar grievances and complaints led to the Laval and Millhaven riots, they weren't the result of a planned uprising throughout the system. They were more a result of the system itself.

At ancient Laval, a peaceful demonstration had been undermined by a few thugs and a cell block destroyed by fire. About 280 prisoners later were transferred to 24-hour lock-ups.

Fifty-eight were still being held this week in the Correctional Development Centre when an anonymous caller

threatened to bomb the Montreal subway unless they were allowed visitors' recreation, and more time out of their cells.

Solicitor-General Francis Fox promptly acceded to the demands—dynamite had been found in the subway system after a previous call.

At Millhaven, all prisoners had been locked up since early October while 166 cells were being repaired although half of them hadn't been involved in the disturbance.

MPs suspect that a guard, declared in 1974 to be unfit to be near prisoners, may have sparked the Millhaven disturbance by calling a group of prisoners names from a guard tower.

Millhaven Director John Dowsett, who will likely run a new maximum-security prison being built in the B.C. region, was replaced last week by a management committee that will try to get Millhaven back to normal.

One of the committee's tasks will be to end what Arthur Trono, Ontario regional director of the Canadian Penitentiary Service, has called an "overtime racket" run by a group of guards who have coerced others into acceptance of the system.

At least two incidents at Millhaven have followed the B.C. riot. Three prisoners were injured Oct. 23 in a disturbance in the auditorium where 200 were being held. It apparently was sparked by news that the damaged cells were being rebuilt.

A pipe bomb exploded in the gymnasium Nov. 22 and the last 65 prisoners being held there were moved to cells in the east wing, where living conditions were among the causes of a 1970 riot.

A number of less-dramatic hostage-takings have been prompted by complaints the MPs have found throughout the system. Among them:

- Michael Pletche, who had attempted suicide while serving a 17-year sentence and was depressed because he couldn't get a transfer from B.C. Pen, held an instructor hostage, releasing him when assured through a radio station that he would be taken to the regional medical centre at Matsqui.
- A prisoner held two instructors at knife-point for about two hours. He hadn't seen his classification officer in more than a year and couldn't find out when his release date would be.
- Four prisoners took three guards hostage in the "protective custody" unit which fea-

tures concrete, windowless cells with steel doors and a light that never goes out. All were transferred, either to the psychiatric centre or another prison. The solicitor-general said they weren't dangerous and had simply sought safer and better quarters.

The B.C. tour began here today with formal hearings and testimony from regional officers, Public Service Alliance of Canada representatives, the guards' union, and a public meeting.

Today, the MPs visit the correctional staff college, where guards are trained before going to B.C. Pen for 13½ days of hearings.

They will have a public meeting at Mission, where a new maximum security prison is to be opened shortly, then visit Matsqui before returning to Ottawa.

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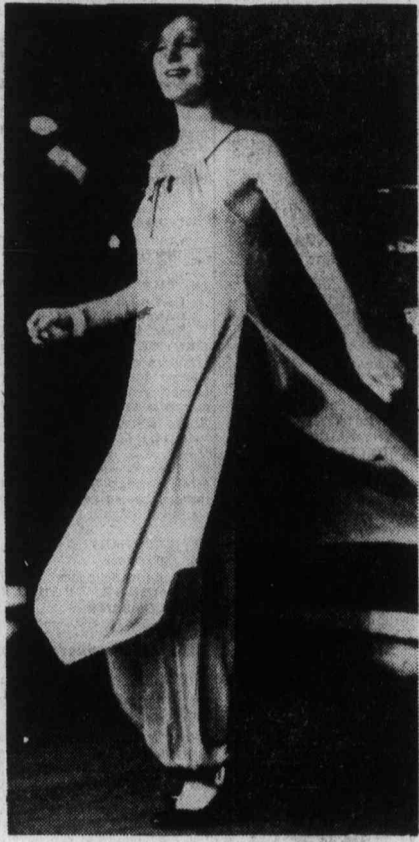
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—Colonist photos by Alex Baria

Swinging fashions

Disco dancing proved the perfect pace for new spring fashions from several downtown Victoria boutiques which made their debut Saturday afternoon on the dance floor of the Old Forge cabaret. It was also the first public appearance for organizer, Number One Productions, and its models who danced beneath flashing lights showing off the harem-look and other styles.



Supertanker meeting in Duncan on Friday

DUNCAN — A public meeting about the safety of supertankers in Canadian waters and about the proposed Kitimat pipeline and how its supertanker traffic would affect marine and wildlife of the B.C. coast, will be held at 8 p.m., Friday at the Cowichan Valley Regional District activities centre, 190 Ingram Street.

Because of the recent rash of accidents involving supertankers on the east coast of the United States, Canadians have been wondering how to avoid oil spills.

The upcoming meeting will discuss such matters as what are the possibilities of oil spills in our waters; what regulations exist to control tankers to avoid oil pollution, faulty navigation and unsafe ship construction; what are the federal and provincial governments doing to protect our coasts from accidents and is Kitimat a necessary and safe site for a supertanker port.

Gary Gallon, executive director of SPEEC, a pollution-fighting group, will present slides from SPEEC.

A short Environment Canada film on oil pollution, Focus on Survival, will be shown. This film was just released after being shelved for 18 months after its completion because of controversy about it in the external affairs department.

Other people, including Bob Skelly, MLA for Port Alberni, Capt. Harry Mitchell, ship safety branch, Canada Coast Guard, and Lofty Corning, master, Thermopylae Club, will be there to answer questions.

Leave-your-car campaign gains

By BILL SMITH
Colonist Reporter

A campaign aimed at dramatizing Canada's serious abuse of energy supplies will be started this week by Saanich Ald. Ian Cass.

Plans for a leave-your-car-at-home-day campaign will be outlined Feb. 22 at a meeting of the Greater Victoria inter-municipal committee.

Cass said Friday he would be "bouncing off a few ideas" and was hopeful of obtaining a commitment from neighboring municipalities to participate in the scheme.

"There is no question we have to do something to protect our remaining fossil fuel resources," Cass said. "Something more dramatic than turning down the thermostat is needed."

In addition to enlisting the aid of elected people, Cass will be seeking support of environment groups, ratepayers' organizations and the general public.

Aim of the campaign was, he said, "to get people thinking for one day of a mode of transportation other than the car."

Cass would like to see the campaign achieve three goals:

- Dramatize the need for phasing out the car, especially the larger gasoline guzzler in favor of the smaller car.

- Demonstrate that the public is not as apathetic to the problem as most politicians believe.

- Obtain a commitment from neighboring councils to participate in the program.

Cass said the whole question of transportation was one aspect of the Saanich community plan "that interests me no end."

Cass said Canadians should stop paying only lip service and start thinking seriously about public transit as an alternative to the car.

While not expecting his campaign to produce any revolutionary change in the mo-

toring habits of Greater Victorians, he does, however, believe the campaign could be the start of an evolutionary change.

"There is absolutely no question we have an energy crisis; all other talk is only clouding the issue."

"If we only used what energy we had sensibly there would be no shortage," he said.

"We can continue at our present rate for no more than five years," he predicted.

The energy problem was graphically illustrated recently in the United States. "We had people dying from cold on one side of the continent while others were frittering away this essential resource."

Canada, he said, was lacking both a transportation and energy policy and the federal government was to blame for "this tragic situation."

Cass discussed his plans with B.C. Hydro transit officials last week and went

away pleased with the reception of the officials to his proposal.

Recalling that the throne speech indicated formation of an urban transit authority, Cass hopes the authority "will be something more meaningful than another top level bureaucracy."

He would like to see improved transportation in the western sector (Langford, Colwood and Sooke) and believes a light rail rapid transit system from Victoria to that area should be established.

Population of the western community would grow by leaps and bounds in the next decade, he said, and "we should be planning for that growth now."

In his talk with Hydro officials, Cass discussed plans for expansion of service in Saanich.

He learned that there was a possibility of an alternate north-south route being developed for buses adjacent to Shelbourne Street.

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Loggers benefit

All Crown Zellerbach Canada's logging operations with the exception of Courtenay had started up this year early last month, in unusually mild and snow-free weather conditions, the company reports.

There is no winter logging at Courtenay as the Courtenay-area loggers move to Hemming Bay in Johnstone Strait for the winter, the company points out.

In addition, it says, some of the workmen from the Nitinat area are also in the Johnstone Strait district this year, at Beaver Inlet.

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Otto flies in face of critics

OTTAWA (CP) — Transport Minister Otto Lang used a government airplane to travel to a Liberal party curling bonspiel in Regina earlier this month, Lorne Nystrom (NDP—Yorkton-Melville) said Monday.

He asked the minister to explain to the Commons why he made the flight at public expense. Nystrom said the minister — who has been the centre of a controversy involving the use of government planes — flew to Regina the weekend of Feb. 5 to attend a bonspiel and reception by the Assiniboia, Sask., Liberal association.

MPs denied the request for a Commons explanation under a Commons rule that requires unanimous House consent for such moves.

Late last year, Lang told the Commons in a written reply that he spent about \$740,000 using government airplanes during a three-year period ending early in 1976.

Outside the House, Nystrom said Lang claims he used the government aircraft because the trip was primarily designed to attend to government business.

Business trips should not be planned on the same weekends as Liberal party functions in the same areas, Nystrom told reporters.

Gandhi's aunt joins attack

NEW DELHI (AP) — Vijalakhmi Pandit, a revered Indian political figure and aunt of Prime Minister Indira Gandhi, joined the opposition to her niece Monday with a bitter denunciation of Mrs. Gandhi's emergency government.

"Democratic institutions which we had built up through the years of independence were smothered and destroyed one after another," she said.

The 76-year-old Mrs. Pandit, a former president of the United Nations General Assembly, pledged to campaign actively to defeat the prime minister — "my niece whom I love so much" — and the ruling Congress Party in parliamentary elections next month.

Mrs. Pandit is the sister of India's first prime minister, the late Jawaharlal Nehru, Mrs. Gandhi's father.

She delivered a blistering attack on the 20-month-old emergency, which began with suspension of civil liberties, imposition of press censorship and jailing of thousands of opposition politicians.

"It is of the highest importance to put an end to the authoritarian trend which has grown to vast proportions and is destroying cherished values

Banks' cut-rate threat 'creating alarm'

OTTAWA (CP) — Consumer Affairs Minister Anthony Abbott said Monday the banks were creating "wide alarm" by saying they would reduce interest payments on savings if they were required to make such payments more than twice a year.

He told the Commons that bankers opposed as too costly legislative proposals that would require banks to credit interest on savings accounts

monthly, rather than the present rate of only twice a year.

The Canadian Bankers' Association raised the possibility of reducing interest payments to "east wide alarm" and such action was "unjustified and inappropriate."

Abbott made the statements in reply to questions by Stanley Knowles (NDP—Winnipeg North Centre) who suggested banks were utter-

ing threats which represent collusion.

Abbott said his department's combines investigation branch had no authority to look into the possibility of collusion among the chartered banks. Banks were governed by separate federal legislation — the Bank Act — and fell outside the jurisdiction of the combines investigator.

The consumer affairs minister assured Knowles the

government had no intention of backing away from its proposals to strengthen the rights of borrowers and depositors.

The legislation now is before committee and the bankers' association said last week it would reduce interest payments on savings if certain sections of the bill were passed.

The association represents the interests of the country's 12 chartered banks. It said it

opposed a suggestion to permit monthly interest deposits on accounts and another that would base interest payments on a daily reading rather than the current six-monthly balance in an account.

The association said such changes would increase administrative costs and these would have to be paid by the depositor in the form of reduced interest payments.

Outside the Commons, Ab-

ott said the bankers were "overstating their case" and they knew all along that the government had no intention of creating administrative nightmares for them over interest payments.

Officials are studying how many times a year interest might have to be paid. It could be on a quarterly basis but "we will be making it quite clear on times it will have to be paid," he said.



Abbott

... 'unjustified'

'Lost' jobless talk garbage says minister

OTTAWA (CP) — Manpower Minister Bud Cullen accused Opposition MPs of spreading garbage and mischief across the country Monday as they continued to argue the existence of "the hidden unemployed."

It was the latest development in the Commons over charges that Statistics Canada, the government's figure-gathering agency, had been drastically underestimating true unemployment.

Lincoln Alexander (Hamilton West), the Conservative manpower critic, called for an investigation into allegations that a Statistics Canada employee started the debate by leaking information to New Democratic Party leader Ed Broadbent.

Broadbent has said that Statistics Canada seriously underestimates the number of jobless Canadians by not including those in categories such as workers who have given up looking for jobs because of job shortages.

Cullen accused the MP of "aiding and abetting the misinformation and garbage being spread by the leader of the New Democratic Party."

Alexander said even Statistics Canada itself said that true unemployment now totalled more than one million people.

Extra job-creation programs were necessary only for those accounted for in the "hidden list of unemployed," added James McGrath (St. John's East).

Cullen said that when money was allocated to opportunities for jobs created under Canada Works and Young Canada Works, the government's latest job-creation programs, the regular unemployment statistics were not used in areas of high unemployment.

He referred MPs to letters he sent them last month which said money was allocated on the basis of Statistics Canada's monthly survey of the labor force or the number of unemployment insurance claimants in the constituency, whichever showed a higher number of unemployed.

Regardless of which calculation was used, if there was a "labor surplus rate" below five per cent in a constituency, \$50,000 was granted under the job-creation program. When above five per cent, \$100,000 was granted, he said.

The letter said the optional calculation was good because the monthly labor force statistics did not, for example, count part-time workers as unemployed. On the other hand, the unemployment insurance figures excluded young people who did not qualify for benefits but who were looking for jobs.



Eleanor Lusignan and messages

Little red pom-pom people fight abortion in Ottawa

OTTAWA (CP) — The desks of MPs in the Commons on Monday were decorated with little red pom-pom people made of wool and felt, carrying signs reading "Love Life."

Donald Munro (PC—Esquimalt-Saanich) and Ursula Apolloni (L-York South) said they handed out the token on behalf of the Canadian Youth Pro-Life Organization, an anti-abortion group made up mainly of students.

At a news conference later neither MP endorsed a statement by the head of the organization, 21-year-old nursing student Eleanor Lusignan, that the government's major report on abortion had pub-

lic last week "suggests that Parliament is forgetting about the most defenceless of all Canadians — the unborn child."

"Instead of recommending positive action for Parliament towards the protection of the unborn child, it actively advocates abortion on demand," Miss Lusignan said.

However, the report, written by a three-member committee headed by sociologist Robin Badgley after an 18-month study, does not advocate abortion on demand. It contains no recommendations.

It does say that legal abortions are not equally accessible to all Canadian women because of varied interpretations of the law and varied

rules applied by provincial governments, hospital administrations and the medical profession.

Miss Lusignan, from Hull, Que., said in an interview she had only read a summary of the report, not the entire 438-page document.

Munro and Mrs. Apolloni said they could neither endorse nor dismiss the views of the youth organizations because they had not read the report either. Both MPs belong to a committee of MPs calling themselves "defence of the unborn."

"It's their view, their opinion of the report and they have a right to it," said Mrs. Apolloni.

Six-hour debater silenced at last

'Rich man' tax bill approved

OTTAWA (CP) — Income tax changes increasing the ceiling on deductions for registered retirement savings plans and for day care were approved by the Commons Monday, but only after New Democrat John Rodriguez spoke at length opposing the bill.

Rodriguez (Nickel Belt) spoke for a total of six hours and 10 minutes on the tax bill, based on the May 25, 1976, budget speech.

He started his speech last week, speaking for two hours and 35 minutes. Under a little-used Commons rule, he had

the floor again when the debate resumed Monday and used the entire debating time for the day.

Parliamentary officials say the longest speech recorded in the Commons in the last 60 years was by Sir Wilfrid Laurier, then Opposition leader. He spoke almost 15 hours attacking the Borden government's navy bill.

Since then only former prime ministers John Diefenbaker and Lester Pearson and Prime Minister Trudeau have spoken just over three hours each.

An NDP motion asking that

the bill go back to committee to reconsider the government decision to impose a surtax on incomes over \$30,000 for the 1976 tax year only was defeated 155 to 13. Only Gilbert Rondeau (SC—Shefford) voted with the NDP.

The Commons then went on to approve all of the changes in the bill. The vote was 155-13.

The government responded to last week's lengthy speech by Rodriguez by passing a motion limiting debate to one more day.

It was the second time in two weeks that the govern-

ment had resorted to closure, called by Opposition MPs "a dictatorial tool" to push the bill through the House. It was only the 22nd time that closure — a debate time limit — was used in Parliament's history.

Because Rodriguez still had the floor when the closure motion was introduced, he was allowed to continue speaking Monday.

"I'm prepared to talk till Doomsday," if that's what it takes to show the government

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Rodriguez armed for filibuster

Profitable coal sales doubted by Gibson

Liberal leader Gordon Gibson cast serious doubts Monday on the advisability of the B.C. government proceeding with its plans for a massive northeast coal development costing more than \$3 billion.

Gibson said the cost of getting the coal to the ships that would take it to Japan would amount to \$65 a ton, but the market price was only \$35 a ton.

He was speaking during debate on a New Democratic amendment that would have cut the salary of Economic Development Minister Donald Phillips to \$1. The amendment was later defeated 27-16 in a vote on party lines.

He said the Legislature would be asked to vote on the most "important economic question" this year — whether to go ahead with the coal scheme "without two bits" of information on it.

He demanded Phillips table \$3 million worth of studies into the project that Phillips said in earlier debate had been completed.

Although he hoped Phillips would prove him wrong, Gibson said, on the basis of figures he had, the project was uneconomic unless the price of coal was increased and until secure long-term markets were found.

"Operating costs are \$14 a ton, rail charges will be at least \$18 a ton, port costs \$1.50, royalty \$1.50, depreciation over 15 years \$10 a ton and interest \$15 a ton at 10 per cent."

"You need \$70-a-ton coal for a decent return on equity," Gibson said.

"I hope it will go ahead, but we need the studies so we can consider the issues intelligently," Gibson added. "We can't afford uneconomic development; we have too many ways to spend the money we have," he said.

Warning the market for metallurgical coal was volatile, Gibson asked whether a decision on the northeast coal development would mean coal developments nearing fruition in the south would suffer.

Gary Lauk (NDP — Vancouver Centre), former economic development minister, said the Social Credit government's decision to kill a proposed B.C. steel mill "on a political whim" would lead to difficulties with the northeast coal development.

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Flexibility urged

Kitimat not only pipe port

OTTAWA (CP) — A federal interdepartmental committee studying environmental aspects of the proposed Kitimat to Edmonton pipeline should be flexible enough to study alternative tanker ports, Don Munro (PC—Esquimalt-Saanich) said Monday.

He told the Commons the committee should have the power to determine whether Kitimat is the best site for a tanker terminal or whether there are better places.

External Affairs Minister Don Jamieson said the committee can examine all possible sites. "It's not committed to one port."

He said he would have to check on a subsequent Munro question on whether the committee's work is being co-ordinated with studies by the environment department and other agencies.

Kitimat Oil Pipe Line Ltd. has proposed a 710-mile line to Edmonton from Kitimat to link up with U.S.-bound lines. The Kitimat line would carry a mixture of Alaskan and Indonesian oil.

The proposal has brought loud opposition from citizens' groups which fear tanker spills in the treacherous waters leading to Kitimat.

Environment Minister Romeo LeBlanc has promised public hearings on the marine aspect of the proposal. The national energy board will conduct hearings on the overland route.

Munro and Conservative environment critic Bill Jarvis pressed the government to work with a United States government study on the best possible site for a West Coast tanker terminal.

Munro said in an interview that the Conservatives oppose the Kitimat terminal because of the pollution hazards. They were also against tanker traffic in the Juan de Fuca Strait because of the potential for accidents in the heavily used waterway.

Tourist fund urged

Conservative leader Scott Wallace has called on the provincial government to establish an insurance and finance corporation to assist the tourist industry.

Wallace told the Legislature Monday that such a corporation would help the industry in lean years and draw on excess funds in good years.

But Provincial Secretary Grace McCarthy, minister of travel industry, said in an interview that such a corporation was impossible now.

Mrs. McCarthy said the company would require government funds for something that was essentially "risky for taxpayers."

She said the plan could only work within a vibrant economy, but noted that such a plan probably wouldn't be necessary then.

Wallace said the corporation would have a two-fold purpose — to provide payments during poor years and to set up something "like a mortgage guarantee scheme for first-mortgage financing."

He said financing would be available for insured tourist industry projects owned or controlled by B.C. residents.

The Conservative leader said the financing would be self-sustaining without subsidy by the government.

The insurance scheme, said Wallace, would operate like crop insurance, on a basis of voluntary participation.

He said such a scheme, set up by the ministry of economic development in conjunction with the ministry of travel, would be of great benefit at present to the suffering ski industry.



— Colonist photo by Ian McKain

TRAVEL INDUSTRY Minister Grace McCarthy snips ribbon Monday to open Tourism British Columbia office, formerly Rithet Building, on Wharf Street, with help of Velda Skillings, sister-in-law of

former MLA Waldo Skillings. Conversion of 28,000 square feet of office space took less than \$1.5-million estimate, she said.

Waldo still with us

As with Mark Twain, reports of Waldo Skillings' death were greatly exaggerated Monday.

A press release written for the opening of the new Tourism B.C. headquarters on Wharf Street stated that the "widow of the late Waldo

Skillings" was among the special guests.

The item referred to Velda Skillings, widow of Waldo's brother, Frank.

Waldo, a cabinet minister in W. A. C. Bennett's government, was defeated in Victoria in August, 1972.

His only comment Monday was: "I wasn't there but I was very much alive and kicking."

Later Monday afternoon, Tourism B.C. issued an urgent correction. "We erred," it said. "To all the Skillings, our apologies."



Waldo Skillings
 ... exaggerated

Outfall mess to get fresh views

By **NANCY BROWN**
 Colonist Reporter

An engineering scheme to

avoid construction of a sewage pumping station at Shoal Bay is a "bunch of rubbish — it doesn't make sense," according to Victoria Ald. Ronald McKenzie.

He tried Monday to get a Capital Region Board public works committee to debate, and toss out, an Oak Bay-commissioned Bullock Guelpa and Associates Ltd. report on an alternate sewage disposal scheme for Oak Bay.

The scheme recommends an outfall off Little Trial Island, with a station there to suck the sewage from the mainland instead of the region's scheme for a pumping station at Shoal Bay to take sewage to Clover Point for disposal through an outfall there.

Tenders have already been called for the Clover Point outfall, and both the outfall, and the pump station already under construction there, have capacity for the Oak Bay sewage.

Saanich Ald. Sandy Noel, who agreed with McKenzie, said that the delays caused by Oak Bay objections were costing money.

"It appears to me that all these delays have been caused basically by one individual who must have gained the support of some of his neighbors," Noel said.

Oak Bay Ald. John Goult acknowledged that the new report was "merely conceptual."

"There may be some very germane criticisms from engineering and financial points of view," Goult said. "But we feel it raises sufficient questions and we want an independent appraisal of the proposal."

He said the new scheme could be financially advantageous, and esthetically better. It should at least be looked at before continuing with the Clover Point scheme.

Victoria and Saanich, he said, as Oak Bay's partners in the sewage plan, should be interested in both questions.

Victoria Ald. Murray Glazier said the Trial Island site was looked at in 1972, and Clover Point was selected over it.

All decisions to date, he said, had been taken because all three municipalities agreed.

"I think at this stage I agree with a lot of what Ald. Noel has said. But we have to just turn our backs on all the things that have happened in the past and respond right away to this request of Oak Bay."

Glazier said he was tempted to start to criticize the Bullock Guelpa report, but felt that it would be better to turn the matter over to municipal engineers for engineering appraisal.

McKenzie felt the committee should look at the report, and North Saanich's Ald. George Westwood agreed with him.

There were obvious deficiencies in the report, Westwood said. For instance, it would require a small navy and helicopters to service Trial Island in the event of bad weather.

It was decided to turn the Bullock report over to an engineering advisory committee of four municipal engineers from Victoria, Saanich, Oak Bay and Esquimalt and regional engineer Norman Howard for review.

The committee is to be instructed to report back on March 2.

McKenzie said he was not sure if it was a premature motion, but he was still processing information in terms of a final decision," he said.

Ald. James Lang took up the banner which Martin dropped, however, and urged that liquor be served at the centre.

"The general impression that the centre will be used for children is wrong. The sooner we get it across that the centre is not for school children, and is for people of all ages, the better," Lang said.

"I see nothing wrong with a liquor outlet there," he said.

Martin warned that people

shouldn't let their imaginations run away with them, that minors will be served there, or that the facility's whole purpose will be for drinking."

Tregaskis announced that Brian Storrer, a 31-year-old recreation director for the Nanaimo region district, has been appointed recreation commission director and facility manager for the Panorama Leisure Centre.

Stricter controls on automatic flushing devices appear to be the Saanich school district's main contribution to conserving water on the Saanich Peninsula.

Trustee Harry Tobin said Monday night that he had received two phone calls from residents who wanted to make sure the schools were doing their part to keep water use down.

"How much water do schools use?" asked a somewhat mystified Dr. Gerry Kristianson, chairman of the board. He suggested that the district could ask the schools to promote the idea of water conservation among students, so that when they went home they would be more aware of what they could do to conserve water.

Physical plant superintendent Hans Schneider told the board that maintenance staff had set all the automatic flushing devices in the schools to minimum flush, and were turning them off during lengthy school term breaks.

His department was also looking into installation of timing devices which would shut the automatic flushers off at nights and weekends.

Sets up own committee

Sidney can't wait to act on water

The Panorama Leisure Centre may be the only wet spot on the Saanich Peninsula this summer.

A water shortage is expected on the peninsula in a few months, with Sidney to be hit the hardest.

Impatient with apparent indifference to the situation by the new Saanich Peninsula Water Commission which had only one initial meeting on Jan. 18, Sidney council agreed Monday night to consider itself a water committee and to meet on or before Feb. 21.

Waterworks representative Edward Parker and citizen-at-large Robert Hope, the two non-aldermanic commission members from Sidney, will be asked to attend the meeting.

The question of water rates, shortages, and possible restrictions will be considered at the meeting, which was proposed by Ald. James Lang and seconded by Ald. Jerry Tregaskis, Sidney regional director. Lang and Tregaskis are also commission members.

Council received two letters from concerned Sidney residents who are opposed to the serving of liquor in the new Panorama Leisure Centre, which will open its doors, at least for swimming, on June 1.

The letters pointed out that it is illegal to drink and drive, and said the leisure centre should be "kept for wholesome, healthy sports."

A third letter, however, said: "This is to urge you to disregard childish fears emanating from the local Bible belt, and to press as hard as we can for liquor to be served at the new recreation centre."

This letter, from Adrian Batterbury of Allbay Road in Sidney, urged council to provide a "civilized, pleasant drinking outlet as an alternative to what is now offered."

Ald. Ross Martin, who pressed for drinking privileges at the centre three weeks ago, changed his mind Monday and said "a situation of overreaction has occurred."

"I think, at the time, perhaps, it was a premature motion. I'm still processing information in terms of a final decision," he said.

Ald. James Lang took up the banner which Martin dropped, however, and urged that liquor be served at the centre.

"The general impression that the centre will be used for children is wrong. The sooner we get it across that the centre is not for school children, and is for people of all ages, the better," Lang said.

"I see nothing wrong with a liquor outlet there," he said.

Martin warned that people

Getting a handle on flush control

Stricter controls on automatic flushing devices appear to be the Saanich school district's main contribution to conserving water on the Saanich Peninsula.

Trustee Harry Tobin said Monday night that he had received two phone calls from residents who wanted to make sure the schools were doing their part to keep water use down.

"How much water do schools use?" asked a somewhat mystified Dr. Gerry Kristianson, chairman of the board. He suggested that the district could ask the schools



— Colonist photo by Alex Baris

Falta demonstrates lunge at would-be robber

Small but plucky, he foiled robbery

A 60-year-old store owner who weighs 140 pounds routed a youthful robber Monday afternoon, forcing him to retreat on his bicycle without any loot.

"I got so damned rattled," plucky Charlie Falta explained, "I did the opposite of what I said I'd do. I always said I'd stand back and let them take the money."

His description of the robbery attempt and the conversation resembled a situation comedy on television.

Falta was in the back of his Capital Shoe Repairs store at 1650 Haultain at about 3 p.m. when he heard the buzzer indicating someone had entered by the front door.

"Out in a second," Falta yelled, attempting to light a balking gas stove at the back of the store.

"Hurry up," the voice out front demanded.

When Falta, who thought the customer was double

parked, went out, he was confronted by a man with a white plastic bag over his head with two eyeholes cut out, and a waist-length, suede coat wrapped around his right arm as if concealing a weapon.

"Hand it over," the hooded bandit ordered.

"Hand what over?" Falta replied, knowing full well what the robber wanted.

At that instant, Falta lunged at the would-be robber, knocking the plastic bag off his head rather easily.

The youth, who Falta described as between 16 and 22 years of age, turned and ran out of the store, hopping on a bicycle to make his getaway.

The robber is described as five-foot-eight to five-foot-10 inches tall with short, dark curly hair.

He was wearing a grey shirt with a floral design on the back.

Falta said that he has had 12 break-ins in the last 10 to 12 years at the store.

UVic track repair estimate shrinks

A revised estimate to resurface and upgrade the running track at the Centennial Stadium at UVic is \$145,000, rather than the \$250,000 estimated last year? Oak Bay council learned Monday night.

A letter from the committee asking the municipality for a \$4,366 contribution to the total cost was tabled by council until budget discussions and until it learns whether the Greater Victoria school board will also contribute.

The stadium committee asked the area municipalities to contribute on a shared-cost basis a total of \$37,000 toward the stadium upgrading — \$15,307 for Victoria, \$14,230 for Saanich, \$4,366 from Oak Bay and \$3,097 from Esquimalt.

It said it hoped for \$29,000 from the federal government, another \$29,000 from the provincial government, and the university would provide \$50,000 from its own funds toward the job.

"The original track has withstood the use of many thousands of Victorians, and there is now an urgent need to resurface the track, to widen it and give it a 400-metre length," the committee said in its appeal to the four municipalities.

Responses from them and the school board may take several weeks to filter through the various councils and committees.

Also on Oak Bay council's agenda Monday night:

● A request for free use of Oak Bay Senior Citizens' Centre for the Canadian Police Curling Association dance and banquet March 19 was rejected, but council agreed to a grant of possibly \$200 in lieu.

● Three readings were given to a bylaw to prevent use of mobile homes in Oak Bay.

● A bylaw to borrow up to \$279,500 for sewer improvements was given three readings.

Wasting no time

Firemen ask arbiter

City firefighters, fresh from settling their 1976 contract last month, aren't prepared to wait until the end of the year before obtaining a 1977 contract.

Union president Ross Cameron notified City Hall and Labor Minister Allan Williams Monday that the union was applying for arbitration

in its current dispute over the 1977 contract.

Cameron said it was his fifth year as union president and there had yet to be a contract settlement reached before July. In the past 27 years, according to Cameron, 24 of the contracts had been settled under arbitration.

"We're not going to waste any time," he said.

According to Cameron, no headway has been made on the union's proposals, presented to the city in mid-December. The proposals included an eight-per-cent increase as allowed under the Anti-Inflation Board guidelines, as well as parity with the majority of firefighters in the province.

Japanese troupe to join parade

Something quite new in marching units will make up part of this year's Victoria Day parade on May 23.

A group of 30 Shinto musicians and dancers from Kobe, Japan, who are visiting B.C. and Seattle at that time, have agreed to appear in the parade.

The tour, conducted by the Asian Arts Society of Victoria and aided by a \$10,000 grant from the provincial government, will also include other performances here and in Vancouver. The visit is being staged to mark 100 years of residence of Japanese people in B.C.

The Shinto group is the same one that performed at the B.C. pavilion at the Osaka World Fair in 1970. John Southworth of Vancouver, who was the B.C. government's agent on that occasion, is organizing many of the arrangements for the B.C. visit.

Hilda Hale, vice-president of the Asian society, said Monday night the city of Victoria would be holding a reception and luncheon for the visitors on May 24, the day after the parade and subsequent performances at the McPherson Theatre. She expected the provincial government was planning other functions as well.

The Shinto group will be giving five performances in Vancouver before moving to Seattle.

Southworth, in an interview from Vancouver, said he recalled very well how the Shinto group volunteered to conduct an opening ceremony for the B.C. pavilion in Osaka in 1970.

"They felt that we just couldn't be without one. And, at the window, they provided a lion dance to match the one from Hong Kong, and the two performances stopped the show in Osaka. It was really something," he said.

Takahisa Kato, vice chief Shinto priest of the Ikuta

shrine in Kobe, told the Colonist in an interview in that city last week that the group would be bringing a small replica of its huge vermilion-colored shrine.

The priest, a strong backer of the World Conference of Religion for Peace, said: "A trip such as this will be of benefit for those with open minds. We will get a chance to introduce Japanese art and music, and our Japanese minds will be opened to foreign ways."

The Ikuta shrine is jammed into the heart of Kobe, just a five-minute walk from the railway station. Several Torii gates show the way to the

main structure, which is modelled after the more famous Kasuga Taisha shrine at Nara.

The main hall is made of wood and has a copper-plated roof. There are 50 other structures including halls for public worship, weddings and tea ceremonies. The major parts have been completely restored after being bombed out on a June 5, 1945, air raid during the Pacific war.

A shrine brochure says that the enshrined deity, Wakahirume-no-Mikoto, is widely worshipped as a god for prosperous shipping, good health, longevity, love knots and safe traffic.



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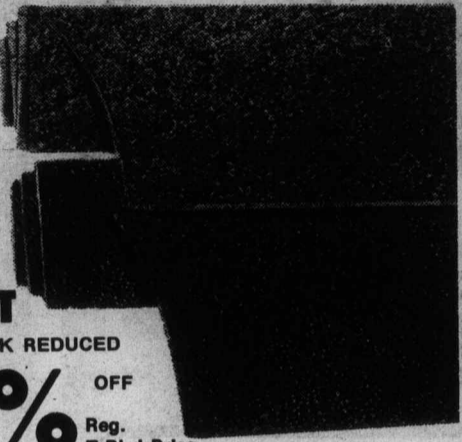


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